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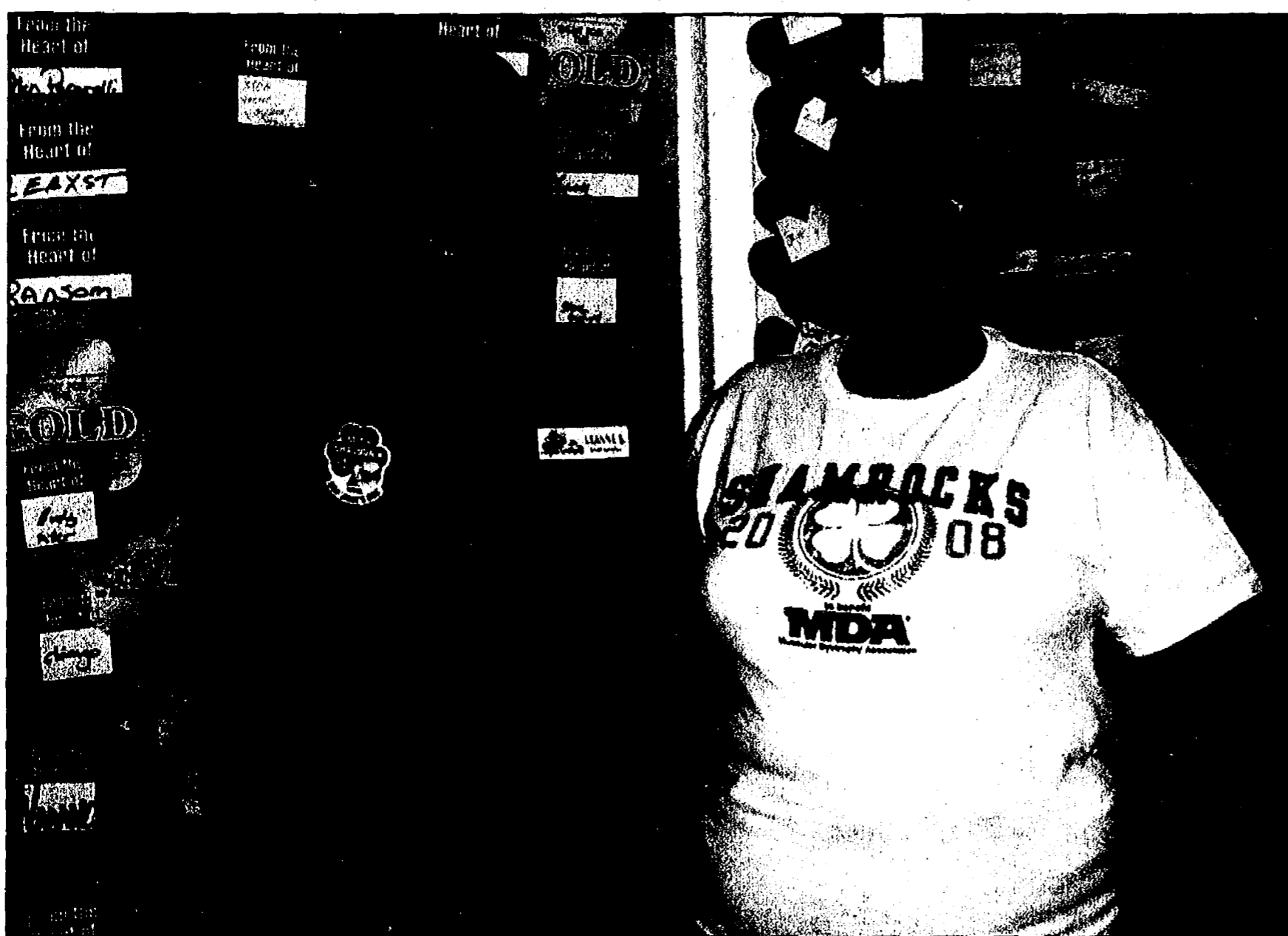


Photo by Dan Sanderson

Employees at Charlie's Country Corner are spreading the "Luck of the Irish" for MDA, by selling green and gold shamrocks that cover the walls of their business. Customers who purchase a gold shamrock for \$5 are entered into a door prize drawing with the chance of winning a \$50 or a \$25 gas card. This year, the employees have raised almost enough money to send three children to an MDA camp. Last year, Charlie's Country Corner and Fick & Sons raised more than \$12,000 through the shamrock sale and the Tommy Stevenson Golf Outing. This year's golf outing will be held on June 27, at the Grayling Country Club. Above, Charlie's Country Corner shift leaders, Leanne Sheehan and Kae Gardiner, are pictured with the shamrocks that adorn the business.

## Board approves funds for recreation plan

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners and the Grayling Recreation Authority (GRA) are teaming up to bolster recreational opportunities for area residents and visitors.

The county board, last week, agreed to spend up to \$8,000 to develop a new recreation plan for the county.

A recreation plan is required in order to apply for grants through the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for funding.

The last county recreation plan was written in 1997 by former Crawford County Environmental Monitor Pat Merrill. The plan was amended in 1999.

Chris Jones, the chairman of the GRA Board of Directors, said the plan is required to be updated every five years.

County Commissioner Mike Lange, who is chairman of the board's ways and means committee, asked the GRA to get involved in the process. Lange serves as liaison between the county board and the GRA.

Lange said that not having an updated plan prevents all recreational groups from pursuing state funds for various projects.

"What it does is handcuff the bike trail people and if we wanted to do something up at the fairgrounds, we wouldn't be able to apply for any of those grants,"

Lange said.

GRA officials plan to meet with township officials to request their involvement in the planning process and to form a recreation stakeholders group.

In April, the group will prepare and approve a survey that will be sent to county residents asking them what recreational projects they will like to see developed and enhanced in the county.

In May, the group will hold a public workshop, which will allow residents to meet one-on-one with various recreational organizations and officials.

"The public will not only have the opportunity to fill out a survey, they'll also have an opportunity to have a dialog with the various stakeholders about their specific recreation plans," Jones said.

A public hearing for the proposed recreational plan will be held in August. The final plan will be submitted to the DNR in September.

Planners from the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments will assist county officials with the process.

Jones said that the GRA would contribute funds toward plan updates after closing out financial books for the winter season.

"Recreation is tremendous in Crawford County," Jones said. "Not having a good updated plan, that is not driving improvement, we're going to miss out."

## AuSable Free Clinic staff becomes full-time

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Increasing demand for medical care at the AuSable Free Clinic prompted the move to have its staff work full-time last fall.

The AuSable Free Clinic recently received a \$20,850 grant from Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, which will help fund the transition of having the clinic's two employees work full-time.

In August, Jeanne Hufnagel, the AuSable Free Clinic director, and her administrative assistant, Jessica Sanford, became full time employees.

Their salaries are funded by the Blue Cross Blue Shield grant, and Mercy Hospital Grayling, which also provides their health insurance and benefits.

In 2007, the clinic served 959 people. This is over the combined amount of patients the clinic, which opened in 2005, has served in the previous two years.

The demands for services, the need to recruit more doctors and nurses to volunteer at the clinic and the need to provide access to free medications prompted

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## Suspects arrested in drug roundup charged

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Suspects arrested by undercover officers, in a drug sweep that netted a former Crawford County Sheriff's Deputy, were charged in Crawford County District Court on a host of charges last week.

Strike Investigative Narcotics Group (STING) officers, supported by Crawford County Deputies last month, arrested 11 suspects ranging in age from 17 to 50-years-old, with charges ranging from possession to the delivery of pills, cocaine and marijuana. The arrests are the result of a yearlong investigation regarding tips, complaints and surveillance of suspected drug traffickers in Crawford County and the surrounding counties.

The suspects, who were arraigned in Crawford County District Court last week, included:

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## Mayor makes classroom visit



Larry Akers, the mayor of the City of Grayling, spoke to students in Marc Winton and Dawn Feldhauser's Grayling Elementary School fourth grade classes last week. The youngsters are beginning to study a unit on civics. Akers explained that his duties as mayor are to run the two Grayling City Council meetings held monthly, speak to organizations about the city and represent the city at functions such as ribbon cuttings, grand openings and other events. Akers fielded some tough questions, asked by the students, about the downtown beautification project and whether or not the City Council had feelings on the proposed theme park proposed to be built off of I-75 east of Four Mile Road, just south of the city.

## AuSable Free Clinic staff becomes full-time

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the need to go full-time.

"We're trying to streamline the program, and having a full-time staff is making it much more efficient," said Michael Matuzak, the president of the AuSable Free Clinic Board of Directors.

Hufnagel attributed the increased demand for medical care to people who do not have medical insurance or have jobs that don't provide health insurance or where the employer has eliminated health insurance coverage.

"These are depressed areas, and these people really need help," she said.

The clinic also treats Medicaid and Medicare patients who are required to "spend down" money from their income before they

can receive government assistance for health insurance coverage.

"We treat them like they are patients who are not covered, because they have to spend the money out of their own pockets," she said.

The AuSable Free Clinic is open on Thursdays for a three-hour period. The clinic sees an average of 50 patients each Thursday. All people who are signed up by 6 p.m. on clinic nights are treated by doctors.

A host of doctors, nurses, social workers and other volunteers staff the clinic each week. High school students and other volunteers also help complete other tasks to help with clinic operations.

"There are a lot of things that need to be done, over and above what we do here on clinic night," Hufnagel said.

The social workers work hand-in-hand with Community Mental Health, and District Health Department #10, to help get patients linked with other medical care.

"We're not here for long-term care," Hufnagel said. "We do a lot of referrals by getting them hooked up with other physicians

and health care providers."

One of the goals of the clinic is to recruit more doctors and nurses, so that volunteers would be able to work on a rotating schedule.

"We need some new blood, so we don't burn out the ones that we've got," Hufnagel said. "If it wasn't for the physicians, we wouldn't be able to stay open."

A majority of patients served at the AuSable Free Clinic come from Crawford County. The clinic primarily serves people in Mercy Hospital Grayling's service area, which also includes Montmorency, Roscommon and Oscoda counties.

Matuzak said the clinic is striving to make more Oscoda County residents aware of its services.

Dr. Ralph Oppermann from AuSable Family Dental has provided free-dental care to a few clinic patients.

"He takes them from start to finish," Hufnagel said.

The clinic staff is hoping to recruit more dentists to volunteer to provide care.

"It's a tremendous problem, and as we are building for the future, we aspire to be able to add something like that,"

Matuzak said.

The medical access program at the AuSable Free Clinic has saved over \$100,000. The clinic has received vouchers from pharmaceutical companies to provide the medications to its patients, Hufnagel said.

Dr. Lisa Harrington, a physician from the Grayling Family Practice, serves as the AuSable Free Clinic's medical director. Harrington said she is pleased with the results the clinic has been able to accomplish.

"We have a very dedicated crew that is committed to making this work," Harrington said.

Harrington said that the most telling statistic about the clinic is that people are being treated who would normally go without medical treatment or end up in the emergency room.

"That is not an economical way for the hospital or anybody to receive medical care, unless it is an absolute emergency," Harrington said.

The clinic moved from 201 Meadows Drive to 1250 East Michigan Avenue, on Mercy Hospital's campus, last year.

The AuSable Free Clinic's phone number is (989) 348-0740.

## Suspects arrested in drug roundup charged

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• Holly Teboe of Grayling, who was charged with controlled substance delivery/manufacture less than 50 grams.

• Larry Vansickle of Grayling, who was charged with controlled substance possession of marijuana.

• Brandon Colby of Grayling, who was charged with controlled substance delivery less than 50 grams.

• Stacy Helsel of Grayling,

who was charged with controlled substance delivery/manufacture less than 50 grams.

• David Gilliland of Frederic, who was charged with controlled substance delivery/manufacture marijuana.

David Burr of Kalkaska was scheduled to be charged with controlled substance delivery/manufacture marijuana. Burr, however, failed to appear in court, and will face a show cause hearing on the charge.

Donald Holland of Roscommon was scheduled to be arraigned on charges of controlled substance delivery/manufacture schedules 1,2,3 and controlled substance/delivery manufacture marijuana. Holland is in the Roscommon County Jail facing other charges, Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield said.

Another Grayling area man, a relative of one of the suspects,

has yet to be charged in court.

Former Crawford County Sheriff's Deputy William John Bonkowski, 45, who was arrested for a charge of controlled substance delivery/manufacture marijuana, is scheduled to be arraigned on Wednesday, March 19.

Bonkowski worked as a Crawford County Sheriff's Deputy between September 1996 and December 2006. He retired from his position due to medical issues.

Bonkowski worked as a school liaison officer during his tenure with the sheriff's department, being assigned to the AuSable Primary School and Grayling Elementary School from 2001 to 2004. Part of his duties as the school officer included teaching the DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program to children.

Wakefield said he has received plenty of feedback on the arrest of the former police officer.

"I am glad we got him," Wakefield said. "It's a black eye, and it happened in my backyard. But if you're going to do this, it's just a matter of time before we're going to get you."

## Scott McNamara

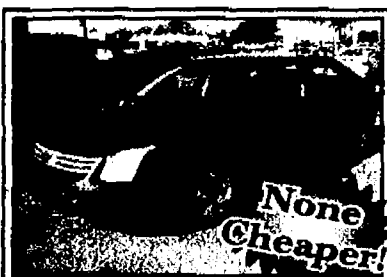
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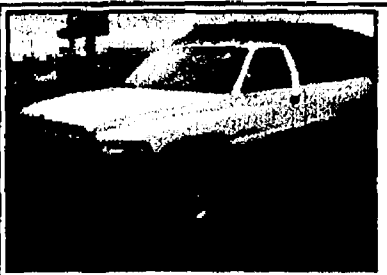
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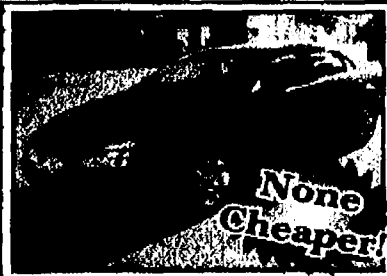
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## Antique Road Show dinner raises funds for Wellington Farm, USA



Over 121 people attended Wellington Farm USA's second annual Antique Road Show dinner, held at the Ramada Inn on Saturday. The dinner was held as a fund-raiser for the farm park. Above left, Glen Rairigh, an appraiser from Americana Auctions, looks over an antique bike brought to the dinner by Wellington Farm USA volunteer Larry Helvie. Below, Rairigh visits with dinner attendees as they have their individual items appraised.



## Litigants in talks over propane pricing

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

As spring arrives and as area residents expect to see their home heating bills decrease, litigants in a case over alleged propane price gouging are seeking to resolve a lawsuit.

Connecticut attorney Lawrence Friedman, who owns a home in Frederic, filed a class-action lawsuit against Inergy Propane of Kansas, Mo., and the companies it owns in northern Michigan, in February. Friedman is a customer of Gaylord Gas, a company owned by Inergy Propane.

After hearing two days of testimony, 46th Circuit Court Judge Janet Allen ruled that Inergy Propane has violated the Michigan Consumer Protection Act.

Allen ordered Gaylord Gas to reimburse its customers for overpriced propane this winter and issued a temporary restraining order to prevent the company from collecting fees or continuing to overcharge customers.

Friedman filed the lawsuit after he was charged \$3.49 a gal-

lon for propane. He later learned that the average price for propane, during the same period when the gas was delivered, was \$2.45 according to Michigan Public Service Commission reports, and \$2.41 per gallon from U.S. Department of Energy Records.

Friedman said he was contacted by hundreds of northern Michigan customers who were charged similar excessive rates.

Gaylord Gas has offices in Alpena, Atlanta, Fairview and Gaylord. Inergy Propane also owns Blue Flame Gas, Lagasco Propane, McBride Oil & Propane, Northwest Propane, Northwest Energy, Petoskey Propane and Progas Propane.

Last week, Michigan Attorney General Michael Cox jumped into the legal fray, issuing a notice of intended action, the first step toward suing Inergy Propane under the Michigan Consumer Protection Act. The company is accused of price-gouging hundreds of customers, charging upwards of \$4.39 per gallon when the average price was \$2.45 or less.

"Residential consumers of Inergy-supplied propane gas are having to spend more to heat their homes this winter because of these excessively high prices," Cox said. "If a consumer has a 500-gallon propane tank, and is being charged even \$1 over the market price to fill the tank, the consumer is being overcharged by \$500. That is unacceptable."

The case was heard in Crawford County Circuit Court since Friedman filed the action against Gaylord Gas in Grayling.

Allen has ordered the litigants to seek a resolution to the case on behalf of the propane company's customers.

On Friday, Inergy Propane announced that it was in the process of resolving the matter with Friedman.

Inergy Propane, however, is continuing to defend its pricing policies, and said a vast majority of its customers are paying less than the average price of propane in Michigan, which is \$2.45 per gallon. Company officials said the average price Inergy's customers paid over the course of the winter was \$2.22.

"We are pleased that a resolution is in the works," said Jim Cross, the president of Inergy Propane's Michigan Division. "Our customers are our number one priority and we look forward to increasing our educational efforts so they will better understand the pricing programs we offer."

Friedman said he is pleased that both sides are actively discussing the issues regarding the propane pricing.

"I have met with Inergy Propane executives and they have demonstrated good faith efforts to resolve the situation," Friedman said. "I am optimistic we will reach a resolution very soon."

## GHS Players to perform 'Alice In Wonderland'

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

The Grayling High School Players are set to wow audiences this weekend with two performances of "Alice In Wonderland."

The high school theater troupe will perform at 7 p.m. on Friday, March 14, and Saturday, March 15, in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium.

The "Alice in Wonderland" story was originally introduced by Lewis Carroll in 1865. The timeless classic was adapted to the stage by Brainerd Duffield.

There are 31 high school students in the cast, and eight students on the crew, who will help pull off the performance. The characters that theatrical lovers have all grown to adore are being portrayed by seniors: Lacy Hollingsworth, Alice; Kristina Wiso, the Queen of Hearts; Chris Wells, the White Rabbit;

Stephanie Gaff, the Cheshire Cat; junior Jonathan Lovely, as the Mad Hatter; and sophomore Travis Westover, as the mock turtle.

Along with the performance, Andrea Binert, the GHS Players' director, said the audience will enjoy seeing the set, props and costumes made by GHS Players volunteer Bonnie French.

"She has really knocked herself out and has come up with some amazing costumes," Binert said.

The performance will be the last for Binert, who has served as the GHS Players director for a decade. Binert is currently enrolled in nursing school.

"I'm making a career change, and it's so hard to do it all," Binert said. "It's been awesome and I've loved working with the high school students."

Binert's husband, Mark Binert,

a GHS art teacher who serves as the GHS Player technical director, will assume the role as director.

General admission tickets for the "Alice In Wonderland" performances are \$5. Tickets can be pre-purchased at Davis Jewelers, or at the door on the night of the performances.

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### Correction

In an article which ran in the March 6 edition of the Avalanche, titled "Ex-police officer arrested as part of drug roundup," it incorrectly listed the dates that William John Bonkowski worked for the Crawford County Sheriff's Department, due to a typographical error. Bonkowski worked as a Crawford County Sheriff's Deputy between September 1996 and December 2006. The Avalanche apologizes for the error.

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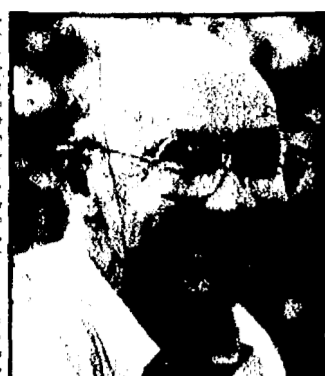
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# OPINIONS



## ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

# Jump forward, fall backward now part of life

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME is upon us again. Like most Americans, I'm finally getting used to it.

In many ways, it's still a pain in the neck ... but only temporarily.

Starting the day earlier -- as we have now begun -- has both advantages and disadvantages. The first day or two is tough for me to adjust. After that, it makes no difference.

When the sun moves further into longer summer hours, it will make a personal difference. With more hours of sunlight, more outdoor activity is possible. That's good for adults and older kids.

As I recall, changing hours was tough for parents raising younger children, who had difficulty getting their babies, toddlers and young charges to settle down for the night while the sun was still high in the heavens.

I always thought the reason for switching to daylight savings

time was for personal benefit of individual citizens. Not so, apparently. That's just a side benefit.

The purpose is to save energy, because less power is consumed during daylight hours than after dark. At least that's the theory. I'm not convinced.

IN THE UNITED States, daylight savings time first was put forward by that wise old patriot and newspaperman Benjamin Franklin, who suggested changing clocks to allow more daylight hours as a way to conserve candles.

Conserving energy is at the base of today's reasoning, too.

Michigan's US Rep. Fred Upton in 2005 co-sponsored the present law to extend daylight savings time by another month. Now clocks leap forward the first Sunday in March instead of April, and fall back the first Sunday in November instead of

the last Sunday in October.

Mr. Upton cites all sorts of energy savings figures, and extends his claims to reduction in carbon emissions, less crime, fewer traffic fatalities, more recreation time and increased economic activity.

Of course, Mr. Upton has the statistics to prove this stuff, too, but some anti daylight savings time forces can trot out opposing figures to show switching clocks makes little or no difference in the long run.

The fact is, of course, there are still 24 hours in one day. The amount of sunlight and the amount of darkness depends on the earth's rotation around the sun and other solar factors.

Jumping our clocks forward and moving them back does not make any difference that way. It's a matter of how the people use those 24 hours each day.

I've always wondered about the effect of daylight savings

time on the farm.

Cows, chickens, hogs and other farm animals have their own timing systems built into their bodies. They must be fed within certain limits, be cared for on a schedule. Hens lay eggs and cows give milk on their own timetables.

Crops need both sunlight and rain to prosper, and what the face of a clock might show has no significance.

DO OVER PRIMARY --

Regular readers of the Almanack will recall I recently swore off politics, at least the presidential sweepstakes, which I decried as being much too long to maintain the attention of most people, including me.

If I had not sworn off politics, I might have had a comment or two this week about the absurdity of the national and state Democrats trying to undo the results of their own making in

Michigan and Florida.

The two states were told if they broke national party rules and held early primaries, their delegates would not be permitted at the national nominating convention in August, in essence that their primaries and any results were meaningless. So their half-hearted primaries were held anyway.

Now both national and state Democrats, and the two leading candidates, figure Michigan and Florida are vital to the nomination and the party.

So all sides are scrambling to figure out a way to undo what has already been done, or do it over, or something ... anything to save face.

What happened to party promises and party discipline? Why not stick with the original scenario? Michigan and Florida Democrats knew they were out of bounds in holding primaries. They had been told their primary

votes were worthless, that their delegates would not be seated, that their status would be as outsiders when decisions were made.

So why change the rules now? Why go back on what the national party threatened? What is different?

Could it be that the candidate favored by most of the Democratic national party establishment -- and by most of the Michigan party hierarchy, too -- lags in both popular and delegate counts, and needs the help of Michigan and Florida supporters ... and from national party rule makers?

But then, I've sworn off presidential politics for a while, so I guess I'd better not comment.

# # #

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

# EDITOR

## I have traffic issues

To the editor:

I'll bet I am not the only one reacting like, what were you thinking, when I saw the finished project at our downtown main traffic light this past fall.

Coming down Michigan Avenue, the traffic is going to be backed up at least three blocks without a left turn lane. Even when we had a left turn lane, it was often nearly two blocks for that short light. The right turn lane is now gone and parking space is less.

If you park close to the corners, keep your sense of humor when you want to try and back out. The outcome is pleasing to the eye and enjoyed, I'm sure, by pedestrians and businesses. Apparently moving traffic never occurred to the designers. Don't they drive?

Locals should be encouraged to travel State Street or Maple Street (the back bridge) to ease the summer business loop parade.

Where you stop at Michigan Avenue, there should be a right turn lane added. There is enough room to solve this with just paint. The same can be said where Michigan Avenue junctions with North Down River Road. Give us a smoother traffic flow, please.

Again, on Michigan Avenue

flow, anyone needing to turn left around the hospital or school has to stop traffic, because you can't go around. There is plenty of pavement, but we have allocated that to the bicycle path for crying out loud. How many taxes do they pay and they pedal how many months?

I'm not against bicycles, but do their lanes have to be that wide? Can't they be routed on a less traveled street? These traffic snarls are only going to worsen with time. I think they need to be addressed now.

Since I seem to be on a roll, I would like to see some lane expansion on North Down River Road for turning at the dump, the Little League Field and at the north ramp of I-75. There is room to safely go around, but if you do, you could be given a ticket.

Come on, we can do better at thinking things through before we spend all this money. Please change things that are obviously wrong, easy and inexpensive to correct.

I write this in hope that some board member or elected official will note it and initiate some action.

I invite comment.

Phil Faustman  
Grayling

## This is for us seniors

To the editor:

Any site that the COA moves to will have some repairs to bring it up to code. The Eagles is a castle compared to the other sites that Director Alice Snyder is considering. Mayday Windows would be more costly to bring up to the space needed. The Eagles has the most to offer, and the layout of the dining area would not be as costly to add on if more space is needed. The bar area could be used for meetings, conferences, special occasions, exercises and more. The offices could be built on the side facing the Road Commission offices. The Road Commission has agreed to let the COA use some of the property that is now vacant.

People have asked if Director Synder was looking out for her comfort or that of the seniors. She wants exercise trails to be part of her choosing a site. Some say they will walk if they want to and don't need a trail. Also, will the director have a qualified medical person with the seniors in case of broken bones, heart attacks, etc?

Chairman Jack Mahank is still

hoping for the city council to agree to sell the property to the COA. He is looking at the three houses across from the COA to buy and put in a parking lot. Come on Jack, this would be a "conflict of interest", being that your long time companion, her son and her brother own those properties. Conflict of interest - big time. Now, the COA's rent is going up. Having friends on the housing board isn't going to help.

HUD's (Housing and Urban Development) Legal Department has reviewed this request and has stated this entire facility (present COA site) is strictly intended for low-rent public housing residents.

Let's put this to rest and move on to our own building, which is what the majority of seniors want. They want the Eagles location. It is near shopping and fun things. As many have said "this is for us seniors and not for the director of the COA board."

If you wish to talk to HUD in Detroit, call 313-226-7900, ext. 8101, and ask for Anne Finken.

Vivian Powers  
Grayling

## Take pride in your business

To the editor:

I don't think that Mr. Moshier should have extended time, as there has been a discussion several times already.

We all live busy lives and that is not an excuse for the condition of his business. It also puts a reflection on your business.

I do business with a company

that shows pride in their building, which may represent the quality of their work also. Take pride in your business and the town from which your customers come from. Clean up your building and keep Grayling looking good.

Janet Gildner  
Grayling

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The opinions expressed in the letters and columns on this page are solely those of the writer and do not necessarily reflect the views of *The Crawford County Avalanche*.

Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-space or use every other line and limit to 500 words.

Every letter must be signed and an address and telephone number

must be included to be considered for publication. Letters will not be published without the author's name. Telephone numbers are not published.

All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows.

Deadline for submission of letters to the editor is Friday at noon for consideration for publication in the following week's paper.

## Online Poll Results

Last week's online poll question and results:

**Which Michigan sports team is most likely to win a league championship this season?**

Detroit Pistons 13 votes 27%	Detroit Red Wings 14 votes 29%	Detroit Tigers 22 votes 45%
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This week's online poll question: **Should the Michigan Democratic Party conduct (and pay for) a do-over primary election?**

To vote in our online polls, visit our Internet site:  
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## What Do You Think?

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All comments are subject to approval by *Crawford County Avalanche* management prior to publication on our Internet site. Comments are limited to 200 words.

Excerpts from recent comments posted on our Internet site:

**Amy wrote on Feb. 24, 2008 (regarding theme park story):** "I have a very hopeful attitude about this park being built. However, I do believe that the Christmas idea is EXTREMELY cheesy. People go to Bronner's in Frankenmuth for Christmas stuff, not an amusement park! Christmas already takes up too much of the year."

**Noel wrote on Feb. 25, 2008 (regarding theme park story):** "The only people who will make money are the money managers who are now trying to securitize and sell off bonds. They make large sums of money for doing so, without regard of the success

or failure (which it is doomed from the start)."

**Michelle wrote on Feb. 28, (regarding theme park story):** "I truly believe that the theme park is a positive move for Grayling. I, too, cherish rivers, streams, woods, wildlife, home-town feeling, but people who are so adamant about not wanting this park to come into our area are selfish. The people that have families that depend on an income are the signatures that need be on the petitions and they need to attend any of the park meetings so their voice can be heard. You can see by reading the negative comments that they are from the retirees and fudgies from downstate who come up for a 'visit.' This park is desperately needed in our community."

**Lee wrote on Feb. 27, 2008 (regarding theme park story):** "I think this is another attempt by people who have no interest in northern Michigan to make a quick buck. Northern Michigan is known for its nature and small community environment. Had this proposal been for the Traverse City area, I would have no objection. Lake Margrethe is a perfect example of what a plethora of outsiders can do to nature. I hope people will come to their senses and see the dark side of this idea. There are other avenues that should be explored to promote economic growth. The economic development officials should be looking at other bids. If they are so set on utilizing the property, then other investors should be interviewed. Destroying 1,800 acres for a theme park in a rather desolate area does not seem like good business. The environmental impact could be tragic."

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# BRIEFS

## COA senior trip goes to Gaylord

On March 18, the Senior Center Out to Lunch Gang will be going to Gaylord for a movie matinee and lunch at Ruby Tuesday's. The bus will be leaving the center, 308 Lawndale, Grayling, at 11:30 a.m. and will return by 5 p.m. The cost is \$10. Bring money for lunch and \$3 for the movie. Call ahead for reservations at 348-7123.

## Modern Woodsmen to hold fund project

The Modern Woodsmen will hold a matching fund project, for the Grayling Middle School Media Center, on March 19 from 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m., at the Grayling Middle School. Admission is \$3, bring money for food. There will be lots of games. For more information, call Patty Salyers at 989-348-4442.

## Hartwick Pines to host last winter lecture

Hartwick Pines State Park will host the last winter lecture in their series. The lecture "River Drives and River Hogs" will be presented on Thursday, March 20, at 7 p.m., at the Visitor Center, and will last about 60 - 90 minutes. For more information, call the Visitor Center at 989-348-2537, or e-mail Rob Burg at [burg@michigan.gov](mailto:burg@michigan.gov).

## Straits Area Ostomy Assoc. to meet

The Straits Area Ostomy Association will hold its regular meeting on Sunday, March 16, at 2 p.m., in the back doctor's dining room at Northern Michigan Regional Hospital, Petoskey. All ostomates and interested persons are invited. Call 989-821-5721 for information.

## Church to hold Palm Sunday concert

The Lovells Community Chapel, 8133 Bald Hill Road, will hold a Palm Sunday concert on March 16, at 11 a.m. Brother Ed Fleming from the Hands of Love Ministry will be present. A love offering will be taken.

## Cub Scouts to hold Pinewood Derby

Cub Scout Pack #3993 will hold their Pinewood Derby on Saturday, March 15, at the AuSable Primary cafeteria at 9 a.m. The races will start at 9:30 a.m. and should end about 12:30 p.m. All scouts must check-in their cars on Friday between 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the school's cafeteria. There will be an open class and anyone can race as long as they follow the rules of the BSA. A refreshment stand will also be available. Trophies will be presented for every class winner. Come race, or come watch. If you have any questions, contact Brad Summers at 348-9755.

## St. Patrick's Day dinner show to be held

The St. Patrick's Day Revue Dinner Show will be held on March 15, at the Grayling Ramada Inn. The Michigan Singers will perform with harpist, Kelly Yousofian. The doors open at 6 p.m. The price is \$27.50 for an Irish Festival Buffet that includes dinner, non-alcoholic beverages, tax, tips and the performance. For phone orders, call 989-348-7146 or 989-915-2448.

## Travelogue matinee presents "Mayday"

The Grayling Promotional Association's Entertainment Travel and Adventure series will present a Sunday matinee, "Mayday - Tugs of War", on March 16 at the Grayling High School Joseph Stripe Auditorium. Narrated by cinematographer Robin Williams, the doors open at 1:30 p.m., and the show will begin at 2 p.m. Ticket cost is \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors and students and are available at the Grayling Chamber of Commerce or at the door. For more information, call the Chamber at 989-348-2921.

## Republican party to meet

The Republican Party of Crawford County will hold their regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, March 19, at 7 p.m., at the Crawford County Courthouse. The meeting will include working on plans for the Lincoln Day Luncheon.

## Church to host Evangelist speaker

The Burning Bush Tabernacle will be hosting the ministry of evangelist Barry Raeborn, from New Zealand. The meetings will begin on Tuesday, March 11, at 7 p.m., and continue through Saturday, March 15. The Sunday morning meeting will be on March 16 at 11 a.m., with an evening meeting at 6 p.m. His theme will be "Revival and the Fire of God." For more information, call 348-1278.

## Church to hold spaghetti dinner

The Mexico Mission team at the Grayling Free Methodist Church, M-72 West, Grayling, will be holding a spaghetti dinner on March 15, from 4 p.m. - 7 p.m. The menu will consist of spaghetti, tossed salad, beverages and dessert. The cost is \$4 per person or \$12 per family.

## GHS class of '78 prepares for reunion

The Grayling High School Class of 1978 is preparing for its 30th class reunion this summer. Reunion events will be held June 27 and June 28, in Grayling. Locations, times and other details will be announced later. Anyone who was part of the Class of '78, even if they did not graduate from Grayling or during that year, is welcome to attend. The class is attempting to locate numerous members of the class. For more information on the reunion, contact Jodi Piper-Potter at 989-348-7517, Kurt Kolka at 989-732-4673, or by e-mail at [classof78@casdk12.net](mailto:classof78@casdk12.net).

## Civil Air Patrol to hold a bake sale

The AuSable Valley Composite Flight of the Civil Air Patrol is having a fund-raising bake sale on Saturday, March 15, at 10 a.m. at the entrance of Glen's Market. On Sunday, March 16, the bake sale will begin at 10 a.m. at the entrance of Kmart.

## RAFFLE WINNERS

**Grayling Youth Booster Club**  
The 50/50 raffle winners for March 9 of \$25 each: Patrick Benardo, Rod Case, Cathy Holton and Tom Coors.

**Grayling Lions Club**  
The winner of the Grayling Lions Club Lucky 13 raffle for March 7 was Jean Zigila.

## Mercy Hospice offers training for volunteers

Hospice volunteers are needed in their growing program. Mercy Hospice will be holding volunteer training, April 1 and 3, from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at the Grayling Hospice office, 3234 Meadows Drive, behind Pizza Hut off I-75 business loop in Grayling.

Volunteers are needed to assist a growing number of families in the Mercy Hospice service area which covers Crawford, Roscommon and parts of Otsego, Ogemaw, Kalkaska and Oscoda counties. Volunteers are generally assigned to families within the community in which they reside.

"Volunteers are an important part of the hospice interdisciplinary team which includes doctors, nurses, home health aids, social workers and spiritual care/bereavement counselors," said Sherry Haag, volunteer coordinator for Mercy Hospice. "Telephone calls are answered by a staff member available 24 hours a day, who contacts the appropriate team member within 30 minutes."

Volunteers are asked to donate from two to four hours per week assisting a family with activities that could include respite, errands, light homemaking or companionship. Volunteers can

also be involved in clerical work, bereavement and courier service. Volunteers are especially needed for office support, computer support and respite care for families. Additional training is available for bereavement/grief volunteers.

The training program includes such topics as communication skills, family dynamics, grief and loss support and body mechanics, presented by a combination of hospice staff and guest speakers from the community. "The information received in training proves beneficial to one's personal life as well as their volunteer activities," said Haag.

Patrick Hanafin, a volunteer for 11 years, says, "I get much more from the clients than I give. They all have a story to tell, adventures to share and my job is to be there, listen and help where I can."

It takes a special person to be a hospice volunteer. If you would like to register for training or need more information, contact the Mercy Hospice office at 989-348-4383 or 1-800-424-1457, from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Mon-Fri, or leave a message with the after hours coordinator during non business hours.

## OMH Foundation offers healthcare scholarships

The Otsego Memorial Hospital (OMH) Foundation has begun accepting applications for healthcare scholarships to be awarded this May by the foundation board of directors.

"The OMH Foundation scholarship program was developed to accomplish two goals," states Foundation Director, Christine Perdue. "First, to enable the foundation to provide valuable assistance to individuals interested in a career in healthcare, and secondly, to perpetuate awareness of the various career opportunities within the healthcare industry."

The scholarships are open to students of all ages who reside in the hospital's service area, primarily Atlanta, Elmira, Frederic, Gaylord, Johannesburg, Lewiston, Vanderbilt, Waters and Wolverine. To qualify for the foundation scholarship, an individual must meet the scholarship criteria and have proof of acceptance in a healthcare field of study at an accredited college or university.

The OMH Foundation office must receive all scholarship applications no later than March 27, 2008.

The foundation's scholarship committee reviews the applications and makes their recommendation to the foundation's board of directors in April.

The foundation anticipates awarding up to \$6,000 in scholarships, including a special Munson Healthcare Regional Foundation Nursing Scholarship. Munson has graciously supported a 2007 named scholarship at the OMH Foundation.

Any donor can choose to designate a gift toward a healthcare scholarship through the OMH Foundation.

Scholarship applications can be obtained from the hospital's receptionist in the main lobby, from accessing the hospital Web site at [www.goodhealth-startshere.org](http://www.goodhealth-startshere.org) (click on foundation in the top bar, then scholarship program in the left column, and then scholarship application on the top of the page), or by contacting the OMH Foundation office at 989-731-7769.

## NMC is offering reading and math summer programs for kids

Northwestern Michigan College is taking registrations for the popular Reading and Math Summer Program called "GRASP" which is for children in kindergarten through grade 8.

Due to the unique at-home aspect of this course, students from all over Northern Michigan are able to participate and retain critical language arts and/or math skills over the summer months through nine easy-to-use lessons.

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After registering for one or both programs, parents attend an introductory session on June 4 or 5, to meet the teachers, pick up packets and learn how to help students make this a successful experience.

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# The Bible Speaks

## Suicide

The winter season is very stressful for many people due to such things as cold weather, rising energy costs, increased debt, loneliness, depression, despair and discouragement. But please don't even consider suicide. . . Eccl 3:2 tells us there is a time to be born and a time to die. Suicide is untimely. We can seek forgiveness or make restitution for most errors we make in life, but suicide is final.

Suicide is promoted by Secular Humanists. "It also includes recognition of an individual's right to die with dignity, euthanasia, and the right to suicide." - Humanist Manifesto II. Humanists glorify suicide as an act of human dignity. People faced with financial stress, family problems, and other circumstances often choose suicide as their "honorable" way out. Their pride will not allow them to reach out for help, or sympathy from others. They feel like victims with all circumstances beyond their control. Suicide is their last desperate act of the will to prove they can still be in control of their problems. In the end they love self more than others, and neither think or care about what will happen to their family and/or friends. Suicide hurts the ones who really love them the most. Those who don't love them are unaffected by their sui-

cide. Suicide is the ultimate act of rebellion against society and a sovereign God. Judas was a classic example of suicide. "Now this man purchased a field with the reward of iniquity; and falling headlong, he burst asunder in the midst, and all his bowels gushed out." (Acts 1:18). Judas had betrayed his best friend with a kiss. (Matthew 26:4&50). Judas could have asked for and received forgiveness, but he chose suicide. Judas committed his final sin of rebellion against Jesus Christ who loved him as a true friend.

Some people think suicide is a permanent escape from reality, but it is a rejection of reality. It is an unreasonable, illogical act reflecting irrational judgment. In reality, it cast one immediately into the presence of God and eternity. "Though they dig into hell, thence shall mine hand take them; though they climb up to heaven, thence will I bring them down: And though they hide themselves in the top of Carmel I will search and take them out thence; and though they be hid from my sight in the bottom of the sea, thence will I command the serpent, and he shall bit them: And though they go into captivity before their enemies, thence will I command the sword, and it shall slay them: and I will set

mine eyes upon them for evil, and not for good." (Amos 9:24).

Suicide is another lie and deception of Satan to destroy life. It promises instant peace, but brings eternal disappointment. During the Great Tribulation upon earth, men shall attempt suicide and fail. "And in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them. (Rev. 9:6). The Philippian jailer was contemplating suicide when Paul stopped him. (Acts 16:27, 28). He responded, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" (Acts 16:30). "And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house." (Acts 16:31). Faith in Jesus Christ is eternally better than suicide. Let Him wash you from your sins in His own blood. (Rev 1:5) Cast all your cares upon Him. He loves and cares for you. (1Pe. 5:7). Remember, "Only one life will soon be passed, only what done for Christ will last." Don't end life, opportunity, hope, and dreams on earth in one defeatist act. Pastor "B"

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## SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

Join us for a meal either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays, except Friday, when there is no evening meal. Please try to call for reservations at (989) 348-7123 or 1-888-355-4500, so that we know how many to plan for.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, March 14 - Lunch - pork roast with apple glaze, baked potato, mixed vegetables and applesauce. No dinner. 10 a.m. Tone and Tubes, 12 p.m. Lovells Satellite Meal, 1 p.m. Pantry Bingo.

Monday, March 17 - Lunch - stuffed cabbage, peas, cauliflower and peaches. Dinner - spaghetti with meat sauce, Italian blend vegetables, corn and pineapple. 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Back on Duty, 1 p.m. Bridge, 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. SPLASH at Mercy Rehab.

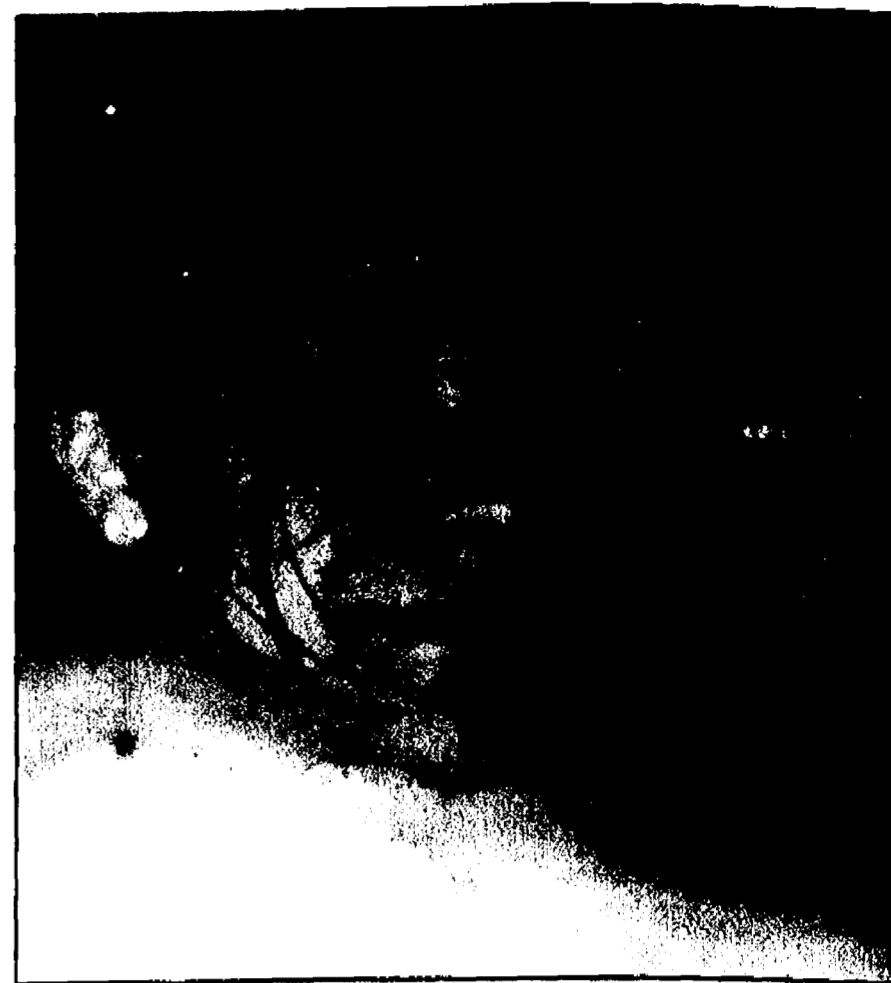
Tuesday, March 18 - Lunch - hot roast beef sandwich, mashed potatoes with gravy, carrots and grapes. Dinner - chicken tenders, oven roasted potatoes, green beans, oranges and grapefruit. 10 a.m. Tone and Tubes and Bible Study, 11:30 a.m. Out to Lunch at Gaylord, 12:45 p.m. Euchre, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks, 5:30 p.m. game night.

Wednesday, March 19 - Lunch - lemon pepper chicken, egg noodles, corn, broccoli and pineapple. Dinner - beef stir fry with rice, peas, pineapple and strawberry shortcake. 10 a.m. line dancing, 1 p.m. Kings and Queens, 2 p.m. pool league and caregiver class, 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. Wendy's fund-raiser night, 5:30 p.m. Price is Right game show.

Thursday, March 20 - Lunch - roast turkey, stuffing with gravy, green beans, cranberry sauce and an orange. Dinner - baked meatloaf, American fried potatoes, peas and carrots and mixed fruit. 10 a.m. craft class, 12 p.m. Kiwanis meeting, 2 p.m. UNO Attack, 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. SPLASH at Mercy Rehab.

The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

## Fisher, Frost wed



Jesse Fisher and Cody Frost

Fred and Pam Fisher, along with Jack and Pat Frost, announce the marriage of their children, Jesse Lara Health Fisher and Cody Christopher Guy Frost.

The winter wedding took place at the Bear Lake Christian Church and was officiated by Dave Stephenson, uncle of the bride.

A reception followed, hosted by Jeddy Hood, at the Flying Fish Lodge located on the AuSable River.

The couple resides in Grayling where Jesse is a treatment specialist at Kenquest House and also works at Riverland Gear and dry cleaners. Cody is employed by McClain and Son Construction.

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## MILITARY NEWS



CSM Terry P. Richardson

Command Sergeant Major (CSM) Terry P. Richardson, of Grayling, was recognized by Major General Nelson J. Cannon at his retirement dinner at the Ramada Inn, Grayling.

CSM Richardson recently retired from the Michigan Army National Guard after over 32 years of military service.

He was drafted in 1967, and served in Vietnam with the 1st Infantry Division (The Big Red One). At 11 years, Richardson is the longest serving Post Command Sergeant Major. Along with his multitude of leadership assignments over the past 30-plus years, his awards include the Combat Infantryman Badge, Silver Star with Valor, Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal, Army Commendation Medal and many others.

During his retirement dinner, Cannon presented him with the

Federal Legion of Merit, one of the highest military awards. CSM Richardson's citation reads: The United States of America, to all who shall see these presents, greeting: This is to certify that the President of the United States of America authorized by Act of Congress, 20 July 1942, has awarded the Legion of Merit to CSM Terry P. Richardson, Michigan Army National Guard, for exceptionally meritorious service while serving in various positions of increasing responsibility, culminating as the Post Command Sergeant Major for Camp Grayling Joint Maneuver Training Center. Command Sergeant Major Richardson consistently demonstrated keen organizational skills and motivational leadership. All challenges placed before him during his outstanding career were overcome by his ability to sustain a mission focus and heartfelt devotion to the care and support of all soldiers under his charge. His lifetime achievements and accomplishments are in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect great credit in him, the Michigan Army National Guard and the United States Army. Signed by First U.S. Army Commander, Lieutenant General Russel L. Honore.

Richardson resides in Grayling with his wife Nancy.

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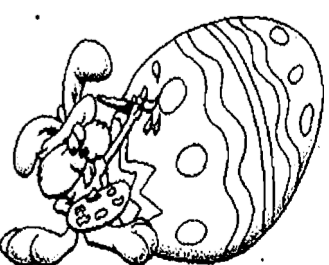
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## OBITUARIES

### Ruth M. Fenton

Oct. 22, 1910 - March 3, 2008  
Ruth Marie Fenton, 97, of Grayling, passed away on March 3, 2008.

She was born in Montpelier, Ind., on October 22, 1910, to the late Carry and Elizabeth (Marical) Ratliff.

She married Glen Fenton on October 17, 1934, in Russell, Kan. He preceded her in death in 1951.

She was active in many areas of Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church of which she was the financial secretary for many years. She was involved with preparing meals in the church kitchen which was dedicated as Ruth Fenton's Kitchen.

She was an honorary member of the Michelson UMW Society.

She was previously active in the Mercy Hospital Auxiliary, she was a charter member of the Grayling Women's Club, and a member of the Order of Eastern Stars.

She was known for the cakes she decorated and she also enjoyed painting.

She is survived by daughters, Barbara (Edward) Holtcamp of Grayling, Peggy Menge of Grawn; grandchildren: Charles Holtcamp of Traverse City, Randy (Heidi Jones) Holtcamp of Traverse City, Matthew (Lisa) Holtcamp of Grayling, Bill Menge of Hudsonville; and seven great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by husband Glen; and a great-granddaughter, Marissa Marie Holtcamp.

A funeral service was held at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, Grayling, on March 6, with Dr. William Cargo officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, to the "Memorial Kitchen Fund."

Interment will be at Elmwood Cemetery in the spring of 2008.

Condolences may be sent to [www.sorensonlockwood.com](http://www.sorensonlockwood.com). Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

## RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled for the period of March 13 - 19 is as follows:

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will be conducting live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard during March 13 - 14 and March 17 - 19.

The Range 40 Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Sherman Rd., south of Old State Rd. 618 and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will be conducting artillery live fire. March 14 - 16.

Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek. March 13 - 14 and March 17 - 18.

Heavy weapons range firing is scheduled from sunrise until three hours after sunset. Due to mobilizations or critical training requirements, the Post Commander may authorize mission-firing requirements beyond this time. This firing schedule is subject to change without notice to the public.

Contact the Grayling Department of Natural Resources for the areas closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation. Grayling DNR telephone number: 989-348-6371. For further information call 1-989-344-6320.

### Card of Thanks

The Grayling Free Methodist Church would like to thank all the community businesses that donated to the auction. All of your gifts were greatly appreciated.

### Donald L. Reynolds

Jan. 16, 1931 - Feb. 27, 2008

Donald L. Reynolds, 77, of Henderson, Nev., passed away on February 27, 2008, at the Delmar Gardens of Green Valley, in Henderson.

He was born on January 16, 1931, in Grayling, to Donald and Viola Reynolds.

He married Louisa Gollor in 1955. She preceded him in death on August 31, 2005, after 49 years of marriage.

He was an auditor for The Arthur Anderson Company and later joined the Commerce Bank in Kansas City, Mo. and retired as a Senior Vice President.

He was very active in professional organizations that related to his auditing and banking.

He is survived by his sister, Jeannine (Tim) Kennedy of Henderson, Nev.; nephew, Timothy Patrick Kennedy of Gardnerville, Calif.; nieces: Kelli Tanksley of Henderson, Nev., Cynthia Kennedy of Chico, Calif., and Kerri George of Simi Valley, Calif.

He was preceded in death by his wife; parents; and sister, Joan Prescott.

Cremation will take place and no services are planned.

### Anna M. Szajner

July 4, 1911 - March 4, 2008

Anna Mary Szajner, 96, of Grayling, passed away on March 4, 2008.

She was born in Ladysmith, Wisc., on July 4, 1911, to the late Thomas and Susan (Dubis) Niezgoda.

She married Joseph Paul Szajner on June 9, 1935, in Detroit. He preceded her in death in 1999.

She is survived by her son, Leonard (Christine) Szajner of Grayling; and grandson, Nicholas (Lisa) Szajner of Gaylord.

A funeral service was held on March 7, at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home, Grayling, with Elder Dennis Ormsbee officiating.

Interment will be at Elmwood Cemetery, Grayling, in the spring of 2008.

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### Basil W. Swerdan

Sept. 24, 1923 - Feb. 29, 2008

Basil W. (Joe) Swerdan, 84, of Roscommon, formerly of Flint, passed away on February 29, 2008, at Hilltop Manor.

He was born in Portage, Pa., on September 24, 1923, to John and Mary (Malenich) Swerdan.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving during World War II.

He married Verna Herkel on August 23, 1947.

He retired from Buick in 1977, after 34 years of service as a tool maker.

After retiring, he and his wife moved to Higgins Lake, in the American Legion property. He spent his free time there fishing and feeding the animals and spending time with his family. He maintained the American Legion Post 64's cottage for 20 years.

He was a past Commander of the American Legion Post 64, the VFW Post 4159, the AmVets Post 13, the 40 and 8 and he was very instrumental in the birth of the DAV in Flint. He was a member of the Flushing Lodge #223 F & AM, and the Mended Hearts. He volunteered for 20 years with the Boy Scouts of America. He served as the Chairman of the Advisory Board for Security Federal Credit Union and on the board of Wurtsmith Community Federal Credit Union.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Verna; sons, Barry (Robin) Swerdan of Hubbard Lake, Randy (Denise) Swerdan of Houghton Lake; daughter, Lori (Tom) Swerdan of Flint; seven grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; sisters, Julia Wilson of Calif., Lillian Belcastro of N.J.; brother, Pete (Dolly) Swerdan of Flint; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers: Mike, Andy, George, Johnny and Teddy; and sisters: Mary, Betty, Helen and Ann.

### Kenneth Conklin

Dec. 17, 1928 - March 3, 2008

Kenneth Conklin, 79, of Grayling, passed away at St. Mary's of Michigan in Saginaw, on March 3, 2008.

He was born in Green County, Pa., on December 17, 1928, to the late Floyd and Fanny Conklin.

He served in the US Army in the 101st Airborne Division.

He married Carol Desso on Dec. 28, 1973.

He enjoyed farming on his 40 acres in Fife Lake, where he resided for 18 years. He and his wife made the move to Grayling, where he and his son-in-law would ride ORVs on two tracks.

For two years, he was president of Farm Bureau and he volunteered with the 4-H Program. He was also an avid auction goer.

He is survived by his wife, Carol; children: Saunny (John) Hanko, Sally Moore, Shannon Conklin, Missy (Todd) Wakeley and Rochelle (Brandon) Williams; grandchildren: Jordan and Courtney Wakeley, Toni and Thomas Williams; brother, Ralph (Janette) Conklin; and his two faithful companions, Ring and Spencer.

He was preceded in death by Earl and Lindy Conklin.

A memorial service will be held in the spring.

Arrangements made by Jowett Family Funeral Homes and Cremation Service, Benzonia.

### Christie E. Hoffman

July 6, 1917 - March 10, 2008

Christie Elizabeth Hoffman, 90, of Roscommon, formerly of Grayling, passed away at Hilltop Manor Health Care Center in Roscommon, on March 10, 2008.

A private service will be held. Arrangements by Walsh Funeral Home, Roscommon.



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Community Events: 3/13 - Commemoration on Aging presented by the Grayling Chamber of Commerce. 3/14 - Chamber Coffee Hour at the Grayling Chamber of Commerce. 3/15 - 3/15 GHS Play "Alice in Wonderland". 3/16 - "March of the Green Riffle" a St. Patrick's Day event at the Chamber. 3/16 - Travelogue at the Grayling Chamber of Commerce. 3/17 - Out to Lunch Gang presentation at the Grayling Chamber of Commerce. 3/18 - Chamber of Commerce Business Expo and Job Fair at the GHS. 3/18 Open House for Non-Motorized Transportation Plan at the Chamber. 3/19 - Memorial Library.

For more information please visit our community website at [www.graylingchamber.com](http://www.graylingchamber.com)

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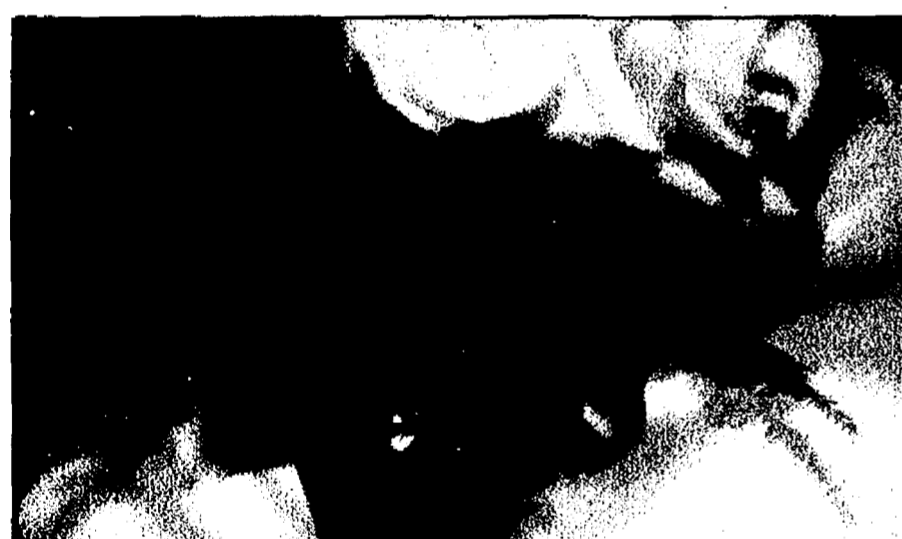
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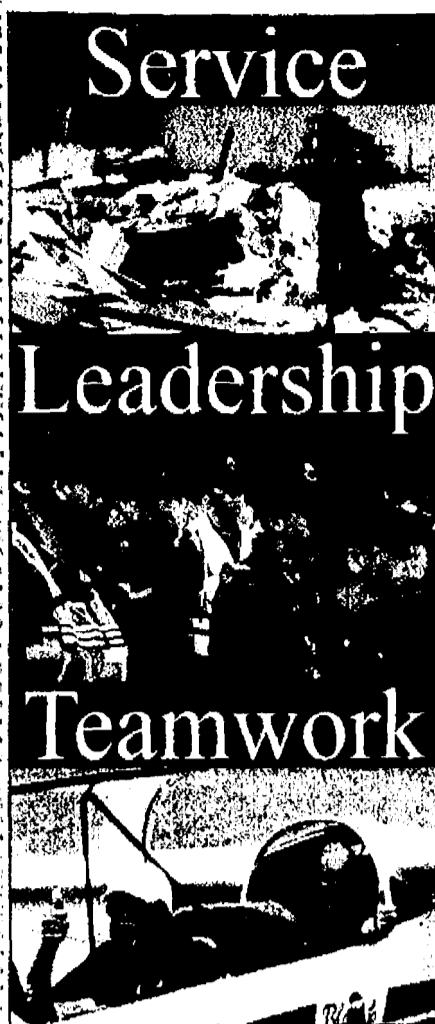
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## DNR finalizes 5-year recreation plan

by Andrew McGlashen  
Capital News Service

After months of public meetings, comments and surveys, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has finalized its latest plan to improve outdoor recreation, especially hunting.

In addition to assessing supply and demand for outdoor recreation, the plan includes nine initiatives for improving recreation opportunities, seven of them continued from the DNR's previous plan.

A 1964 federal law requires states to update a comprehensive plan every five years to receive a share of revenue from U.S.-owned oil and natural gas holdings. The money must be used for acquiring land and developing outdoor recreation facilities.

DNR grant coordinator Lisa McTiernan, who helped develop the plan, said that while it was updated out of necessity, "we also use it to inform our decision-making process."

One of the two new initiatives is intended to recruit and retain hunters and anglers who, through license fees and taxes on sporting equipment, contribute more than any other sources to conservation funding.

License fees are increasingly important to the DNR and the state's share of the revenue from taxes on equipment is based on its number of hunters and anglers, said Chuck Nelson, chair of the department's hunter recruitment and retention committee.

The number of hunters in Michigan's woods grew in 2006 for the first time in a decade, said Nelson, who is also an agriculture and natural resources professor at Michigan State University. Lowered hunting age limits and a new apprentice hunting license program have contributed to that growth, he said.

Nelson said the DNR is also developing comprehensive maps that will clearly show the 26 percent of the state where hunting is allowed.

"One of the concerns we heard when we talked to hunters around the state was 'Where can I hunt?'" he said.

Nelson said he hopes the maps will be on the department's Web site in time for the 2008 hunting season.

The number of licensed anglers in Michigan dropped 22 percent from 1985 to 2005, Nelson said, and hasn't spiked like hunter numbers.

"This is amazing when you're in a state that's considered a water wonderland," he said.

DNR press secretary Mary Detloff said the department uses recruitment tools like free fishing weekends, discounts on sporting goods for anglers who buy a license after a few years without one and programs to get kids fishing.

"We really need to get kids outside," she said. "To get them interested you have to get to them early."

The other new initiative encourages recreation facilities to use green technology, like low-flow toilets, recycled building materials and solar panels.

McTiernan said the department's Parks Division pushed the green initiative and that going green will earn parks a

bigger share of the federal funding.

Although installing such technology requires an initial investment, McTiernan said going green already saves the state money. "By implementing green technology," she said, some parks "have actually experienced cost savings."

Port Crescent State Park, located at the tip of the Thumb, is among those parks.

Supervisor Betsy Kish said that, in 2005, the park installed a solar water heater, which lets the sun do most of the work of heating shower water. A gas heater is still used for the last 20 degrees or so.

Because the park is open only seasonally, it will take a few years to pay off the solar heater, "but nonetheless we do see savings," Kish said.

She said the park has also switched to low-energy light bulbs, installed motion sensors on lights in its buildings and is using biodiesel in its tractor.

"We've really jumped into it," Kish said.

But the amount of federal cash available for making such jumps has dropped.

McTiernan said the state got roughly \$2.5 million from the federal government under the program in 2005. Last year though, that number was down to \$781,000, and this year the state will get only about \$650,000. The money is divided roughly in half between the state and local units of government.

Jeffrey Olson, a public affairs officer with the National Park Service in Washington, said the cut in funding reflects the Bush administration's priorities.

"Our budget in the last couple years has requested zero funding," he said.

Despite dwindling funds, McTiernan said the plan will serve the state well.

"It was intended to encompass whatever may come up in the next five years," she said. "I think we did capture everything that might come up."

## Proposal would make it easier to sell alternative fuels

by Diane Ivey  
Capital News Service

Gas station owners, whose wholesalers don't allow them to purchase alternative fuels, may be able to get them from other distributors, if a new bill promoting green energy passes.

The proposal would make it illegal for service stations to enter into contracts that diminish, ban or discourage the sale of alternative fuels. However, any existing contracts would remain in effect.

It's sponsored by Rep. Bruce Caswell, R-Pittsford, who said he learned of a few situations where gas station owners were interested in purchasing alternative fuel pumps, but found it impossible to do so.

"I ran into a couple situations like this," Caswell said. "Gas station owners had signed contracts with their wholesale distributors, but the way the contracts were signed, they couldn't go outside to other sellers for alternative energy."

E85, a mixture of 85 percent ethanol and 15 percent gasoline, and soy diesel are the main alternative fuels that wholesalers refuse to offer, Caswell said.

Caswell said, "If a station wanted to install a soy diesel pump, they could. This bill would allow gas station owners to go outside the bounds of these contracts to get the fuels they need."

The option of buying from another source could result in more gas stations deciding to sell alternative fuels, said Jeff Spencer, an alternative fuel expert at the Department of Environmental Quality.

"I certainly think that it would be beneficial for the market," Spencer said. "Any time you can increase availability is a good thing for both the consumer and the retailer." According to Ed Weglarz, executive vice president of the Associated Food and Petroleum Dealers, contracts prohibiting purchases like alternative fuels were originally introduced to protect consumers.

"When those contracts were written, it was to make sure that when you bought Mobil gas, you got Mobil gas," Weglarz said.

"Oil companies wanted to be sure the retailer wasn't buying an off-brand product at a cheaper price."

The main roadblock to alternative fuels is the small number of vehicles that can be fueled by E85. About 30 models by Ford, Chrysler, Mercedes Benz, Nissan and Mitsubishi are E85-compatible, according to the National Ethanol Vehicle Coalition. Most of the cars have come out only in the last few years.

Spencer said another obstacle that alternative fuel providers face is lack of education. Because many people are not aware of the benefits of E85 or soy diesel, they continue to choose less environmentally friendly gasoline.

"There are pros and cons to all fuels," Spencer said. "The biggest thing is educating the market about where and when alternative fuels would be helpful. I don't think there's a particular kind of fuel that would replace all the others. They have to look at what suits the particular situation best."

Caswell said the wholesalers of regular gasoline wouldn't be hurt by the bill because stations would still continue to purchase regular fuel as well.

"We're simply providing another option," he said. "It removes a hurdle, if they happen to be in that situation. It makes alternative fuel possible for them."

However, Weglarz expressed concern about the price of installing an E85 pump, and said he isn't sure if more stations will purchase alternative fuel unless there is high demand.

Weglarz said installation costs between \$60,000-\$100,000 per pump, but with dealers making five or six cents a gallon, it could take 100 years to actually make a profit.

"Until there are more E85 cars on the road, it's not going to be economically feasible," Weglarz said. "But as service station dealers, we sell whatever the customer wants. If they start asking for it, we will give it to them."

Approximately 60 gas stations in Michigan currently sell E85, with the average price per gallon at about \$2.67, the coalition said.

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## Mt. Hope youth group helps feed starving children

Mt. Hope Lutheran Church Youth Group participated in a 30 hour famine the weekend of Feb. 22 and 23.

Youth group participants, Jordan Bullmer, Jacob Brown, Robert Thiel, Cierra Russell, Erin Messerschmidt, Rayne Russell, Torrey Messerschmidt, Michael Harmon, Madison Gabriel and Victoria Doster, found sponsors and raised \$652 to help feed starving children through World Vision.

The famine started on Friday at noon and went through to Saturday night at 6:30 p.m. when the congregation of Mt. Hope served an Italian potluck for the youth.

To help fill the time, so the youth did not think about how hungry they were, activities were planned during the weekend.

On Friday night, the church had a lock down and the youth played games and watched a movie.

On Saturday, the youth did two servant events. They started out the day at the Crawford County Devereaux Memorial Library, doing several tasks for the library. Then they went on to the AuSable Valley Animal Shelter, in Grayling, where they played with the animals. The youth threw balls for the dogs, walked the dogs and had fun petting the cats.



The Mt. Hope Lutheran Church Youth Group participated in a 30 hour famine to raise funds for starving children. Pictured above, the Mt. Hope congregation fed the hungry youth at an Italian potluck at the end of the event.

## Chamber announces Junior Ambassador program

The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce Ambassador Club announces the inception of a new program, the Junior Ambassador Club.

The purpose of the Junior Ambassador program is to encourage high school students to become active in chamber and community events.

Junior Ambassadors will have a chance to learn from one-on-one contact with the business community, perform community service and earn special recognition.

Junior Ambassadors will meet monthly and participate in various chamber and community functions while earning credit for community service hours, increasing their leadership potential and broadening their scope of possible career opportunities.

The club will only consist of 12 members. Applications are now being accepted from high school age students. Program guidelines and applications can be picked up at the Grayling High School Counseling Office, the Hanson Hills office or the Chamber office.

Applications will be accepted until April 1. If you are interested, or know of anyone who is interested, please encourage them to consider participation in this free program.

For more information, contact the chamber office at 989-348-2921.

## YAC awards funds for local programs

The Crawford County Youth Advisory Council (YAC) recently awarded \$1,131 to support programs in Crawford County they feel address the most pressing issues facing youth in their communities.

The following organizations were supported with funds from the Crawford County Kellogg Youth Endowment Fund at North Central Michigan Community Foundation (NCMCF):

Crawford AuSable School District received \$631 to support the Renaissance Program, which rewards students for academic achievements, attendance records and positive behavior.

River House Shelter received \$500 to support the Toys for Children's Well Being program. Funds from this grant will be used to purchase toys for children residing at the shelter.

Crawford County YAC is

currently accepting grant applications for its April 2008 grant cycle. Applications are available online at [www.ncmcf.org](http://www.ncmcf.org) and must be submitted by March 30, 2008.

The Youth Advisory Council (YAC) is part of the North Central Michigan Community Foundation, which serves Crawford, Ogemaw and Oscoda Counties. YAC is a group of young people who, under the guidance of adult supervisors, strive to improve the lives of other children in the community through the allocation of grant money. Through this program, members learn the power of philanthropy, and it empowers them to make a real difference as they award grants from the Crawford, Ogemaw and Oscoda County Kellogg Youth Endowment Funds. As the amounts in the funds grow, through income and future gifts, the amount available to grant also grows.

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Planting instructions, as well as recommendations on preferred locations to plant certain species, will be discussed at the workshops. Information will also be provided on the benefits to wildlife that native species provide.

The first of the two workshops will be the Native Trees & Shrubs Workshop, which will be held on Tuesday, April 1. The second in the series will be

the Native Plants Workshop offered on Thursday, May 8. Both workshops will be held at the Grand Traverse County Civic Center's Conference Room from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. and the cost is \$5 per person. For more information and to register, call 231-941-0960. Further details can also be found at [www.NatureIsCalling.org](http://www.NatureIsCalling.org).

**Petoskey** - Singles for Christ, for singles age 40 and over, will meet for dinner at the Bob-In Again, 1150 Bayview Rd. (U.S. 31 N) Petoskey, on Saturday, March 15, at 7 p.m. Afterwards, the group will go to Zion Lutheran Church, 500 W. Mitchell St., to watch funny movies, play board games and play cards. Special artist, Sheila Barnes, will demonstrate the craft of origami (paper folding). For reservations, call Frieda at Zion Church at 231-347-3438 or 231-347-5747.

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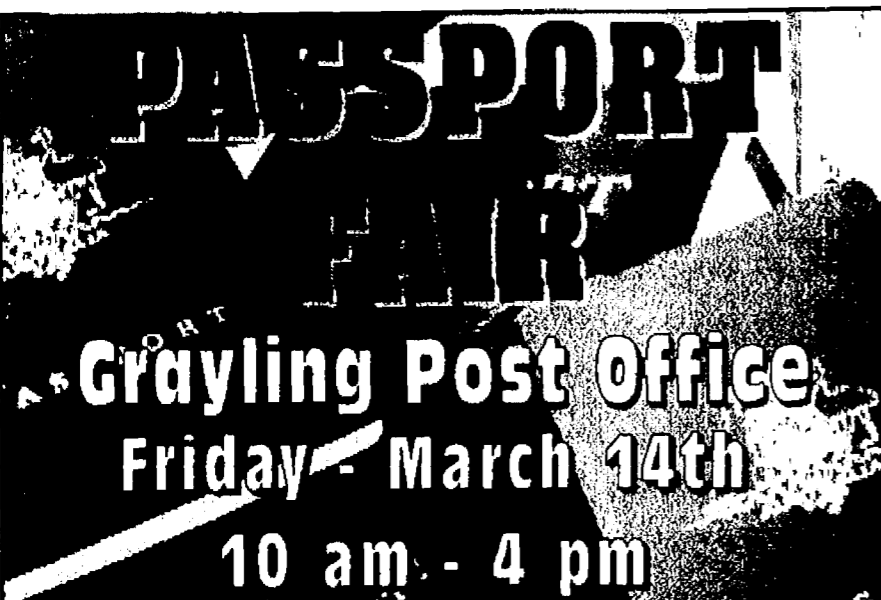
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## 87TH DISTRICT COURT

### Sentencings for February 2008

Hon. Monte J. Burmeister

Frank Stevan Verlinde, age 23 of Frederic - Sentenced on Feb. 19, 2008, for domestic violence; ordered to pay \$1,080 in fines and \$357.70 in restitution; placed on probation for 366 days.

Aaron Jesse White, age 20 of Traverse City - Sentenced on Feb. 19, 2008, for attempted larceny by conversion under \$200; ordered to pay \$407.50 in fines and \$20 in restitution.

Patrick Kevin Cole, age 29 of Grayling - Sentenced on Feb. 12, 2008, for malicious destruction of personal property less than \$200; ordered to pay \$750 in fines.

Dennis Wayne Everson, age 53 of Frederic - Sentenced on Feb. 26, 2008, for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to serve six days in jail; ordered to pay \$770 in fines; placed on probation for 121 days.

Jeramie Neal Edward Dove,

age 27 of Grayling - Sentenced on Feb. 26, 2008, for aggravated assault; ordered to serve 365 days in jail with credit for 245 days served; ordered to pay \$1,320 in fines.

Robert Michael Gildner, age 20 of Grayling - Sentenced on Feb. 5, 2008, for domestic violence; ordered to pay \$1,020 in fines; placed on probation for 182 days.

David Merl Wolverton, age 51 of Grayling - Sentenced on Feb. 5, 2008, for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to serve three days in jail; ordered to pay \$390 in fines; placed on probation for 90 days.

Shawn Michael Vanluchene, age 24 of Grayling - Sentenced on Feb. 5, 2008, for operating while intoxicated; ordered to pay \$1,590 in fines; placed on probation for 90 days.

Arnold Stanley Randall, age 54 of Grayling - Sentenced on Feb. 5, 2008, for sex offender/failure to comply with

reporting duties; ordered to pay \$640 in fines.

Timothy Todd Thomas, age 38 of Frederic - Sentenced on Feb. 20, 2008, for operating a snowmobile at an unreasonable speed and snowmobile-failure to wear a helmet; ordered to pay \$225 in fines.

Robert Allen Pickard, age 43 of Grayling - Sentenced on Feb. 5, 2008, for hunt/fish carrying a firearm under the influence; ordered to pay \$955 in fines.

John David Head, age 42 of Clarkston - Sentenced on Feb. 12, 2008, for open intoxicants in vehicle/passenger; ordered to pay \$335 in fines; placed on probation for 90 days.

Quentin Camiel Wheeler, age 22 of Concord - Sentenced on Feb. 20, 2008, for snowmobile-general violations and operating unregistered snowmobile; ordered to pay \$220 in fines.

Jessica Lynn Kunna, age 27 of Grayling - Sentenced on Feb. 19, 2008, for operating

without security; ordered to pay \$355 in fines.

Brian Robert McCurdy, age 26 of Kalamazoo - Sentenced on Feb. 21, 2008, for operating while visibly impaired and open alcohol in a motor vehicle; ordered to pay \$735 in fines.

Dennis Thomas Zielinski, age 33 of Whitmore Lake - Sentenced on Feb. 26, 2008, for snowmobile-operate impaired; ordered to pay \$480 in fines.

Magistrate Camarin Talarico

Brandy Marie Stuck, age 21 of Gaylord - Sentenced on Feb. 6, 2008, for snowmobile-operator suspended/revoked/denied, operating a snowmobile without a taillight and operating an unregistered snowmobile; ordered to pay \$430 in fines.

Jason Allen Louchart, age 23 of Saginaw - Sentenced on Feb. 20, 2008, for snowmobile/operator suspended/revoked/denied and operating an unregistered snowmobile; ordered to pay \$330 in fines or serve 33 days in jail.

## 46TH CIRCUIT TRIAL COURT

### Sentencings for February 2008

Hon. Janet M. Allen

Nicholas James Lovely, age 18 of Grayling - Plead guilty on Dec. 17, 2007, to breaking and entering with intent and determined by the court to be a

habitual offender with a third conviction; sentenced on Feb. 4, 2008, to serve two years to 20 years in prison; ordered to pay \$350 attorney fee, \$300 circuit court costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee and \$60 state minimum costs.

Jack Pomeroy, age 52 of Grayling - Plead guilty on Dec. 17, 2007, to larceny building; sentenced on Feb. 4, 2008, to serve 365 days in jail with credit for 52 days served; ordered to pay \$350 attorney fee, \$300 circuit court costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$60 state minimum costs and \$27 restitution.

Levi Wayne Hazelton, age 21 of Roscommon - Plead guilty on Dec. 17, 2007, to breaking and entering with intent; sentenced on Feb. 4, 2008, to serve 330 days in jail with credit for 104 days served; ordered to pay \$350 attorney fee, \$300 circuit court costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$60 state minimum costs and \$188 restitution; placed on probation for 24 months.

William Frederick Denno, age 40 of Grayling - Plead guilty on Jan. 7, 2008, to substance-delivery/manufacture marijuana second or subsequent offense double penalty; sentenced on Feb. 4, 2008, to serve 180 days in jail with credit for 56 days served; ordered to pay \$350 attorney fee, \$300 circuit court costs, \$250 penal fine, \$60 crime victim rights fee and \$60 state minimum costs; placed on probation for 12 months.

Joseph Morgan Starr, age 39 of Grayling - Plead guilty on Dec. 17, 2007, to substance-delivery/manufacture marijuana; sentenced on Feb. 4, 2008, to serve 210 days in jail with credit for one day served; ordered to pay \$60 restitution, \$60 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$300 circuit court costs and \$250 penal fine; placed on probation for 18 months.

Hon. Dennis F. Murphy

Jeramie Neal Edward Dove, age 27 of Grayling - Plead

guilty on Jan. 10, 2008, to substance-delivery/manufacture marijuana; sentenced on Feb. 7, 2008, to serve 270 days in jail with credit for two days served; ordered to pay \$350 attorney fee, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$300 circuit court costs, \$65 restitution and \$60 state minimum costs; placed on probation for 18 months.

Allen Gene Iverson, age 34 of Grayling - Plead guilty on Jan. 10, 2008, to criminal sexual conduct first-degree under age 13; sentenced on Feb. 7, 2008, to serve 25 years to 40 years in prison with credit for 188 days served; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs and \$60 crime victim rights fee.

Justin Scott Sheldon, age 18 of Grayling - Found guilty on Feb. 7, 2008, for a probation violation; sentenced on Feb. 7, 2008, to serve three days in jail; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs, \$350 attorney fee, \$60 crime victim rights fee and \$20 restitution.

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## Cub Scout Pack #3993 holds banquet



Cub Scout Pack #3993 held their Blue and Gold Banquet on Feb. 25. The boys (shown from L to R): John Hilbrecht, Brandon Kowalski, Daniel Miller, Skyler Moggo, Mason Papendick, Daniel Quisler and Boomer Wingard. They are Webelos II (5th graders) moving on to Boy Scouts. Both Boy Scout Troops #979 and #995 were present to congratulate them and welcome them to Boy Scouts. Boys not present in picture are Coleman Cottonham and Brandon Lee Schuette.

## Enhanced driver's license gets green light

Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land announced that members of the Legislature have passed bills to create an optional enhanced driver's license in Michigan, that would be acceptable identification at America's borders, and also passed legislation that would allow legal, temporary residents to apply for state-issued identification cards.

The bills, which passed with bipartisan support, now go to the governor for signature. "I'm grateful to legislatures for working together to offer the people of Michigan a more convenient and affordable license option than a passport for cross-border travel," Land said. "An enhanced driver's license will help protect the security of our state and nation. It will also more smoothly merge federal border ID requirements with trade and tourism between Michigan and Canada, which averages more than a billion dollars a week."

In June 2005, Land proposed the creation of a driver's license that could also be used as a passport as a common-sense way for border states to meet require-

ments of the federal Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative (WHTI) while protecting their economic interests. The U.S. Department of Homeland Security eventually embraced the concept and has granted pilot projects for enhanced licenses to Washington, Vermont, Arizona and New York.

Under WHTI, all travelers, including U.S. citizens, will need to produce a passport or similar document to enter the country by land as early as June 1, 2009.

Due to the relative expense and difficulty of obtaining a passport, they cost \$100 and take four to six weeks to receive from the U.S. State Department, it is expected that the requirement would discourage many people from traveling across the border for business and tourism.

Land is seeking approval from federal officials of a pilot project which would allow enhanced driver's licenses and personal ID cards to be used to meet WHTI in Michigan. Under the state legislation, the enhanced licenses would be voluntary and only available to Michigan residents who are also U.S. citizens. They

would cost no more than \$50. Those not wishing to obtain an enhanced license could otherwise be issued a standard driver's license.

Among its provisions, the enhanced license legislation would:

Create the Enhanced Driver's License and Enhanced Official State Personal Identification Card Act.

Require that enhanced licenses and personal ID cards include security measures to protect against unauthorized disclosure of personal information.

Require an applicant for an enhanced driver's license or ID card to provide documentation demonstrating his or her U.S. citizenship, full legal name, Social Security number and other information.

Require the Secretary of State to verify the genuineness, regularity and legality of every application and other documentation submitted for an enhanced license or ID card.

Provide that a person who made a false certification or statement in applying for an enhanced driver's license or state

ID card would be guilty of a felony punishable by up to five years in prison.

Permit the Secretary of State to enter into a memorandum of understanding with any federal agency to obtain approval for an enhanced driver's license or ID card as proof of identity when entering the U.S.

A law signed by the governor on Feb. 15 allows legal residents of Michigan who are here temporarily to apply for a driver's license. However, expanding the access to personal ID cards require separate legislation.

For more information on the enhanced driver's license or the requirements to receive a driver's license or personal ID card, visit [www.Michigan.gov/sos](http://www.Michigan.gov/sos).

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## MDOT to invest nearly \$115 million in northern lower Michigan

The Michigan Department of Transportation's (MDOT) recently approved 2008-12 Five Year Transportation Program will provide \$114.6 million in transportation improvements to Northern Lower Michigan this year.

The 2008 North Region program for rehabilitation and reconstruction work will provide approximately \$40 million in road and bridge investments to the region, \$13 million for Capital Preventive Maintenance (CPM) projects, \$32 million for routine maintenance, and \$4 million for safety improvements such as passing relief lanes.

As part of Gov. Jennifer M. Granholm's economic stimulus package, an additional \$15 million will be invested in the region, which will fund five projects advanced from future years. Statewide, MDOT is accelerating nearly \$150 million in road and bridge projects, which will create an estimated 2,100 jobs. About 213 of those jobs would be created in MDOT's North Region.

"Whether it is a CPM, maintenance, non-motorized path, or widening project, we will continue to improve our network in order to enhance the quality of life for everyone," said North Region Engineer Brian Ness. "Tourism is big in our region and that means we will do everything we can to make it as convenient as possible for motorists to get around this construction season." During the 2008 construction season, Crawford County will have 5.9 miles of M-72 resurfaced from the Kalkaska County line to M-93.

Other Northern Lower

Michigan improvements slated for this year are:

Grand Traverse County - Widening, milling (or grinding off top layer), resurfacing, and streetscaping 1.4 miles of M-113. Milling and resurfacing 7.3 miles of M-37 (Old Mission Peninsula) from Mapleton Road to the light-house.

Wexford County - Resurfacing 5.5 miles of US-131 from US-131 BR to Boon Road.

Antrim County - Construction of 6.3 miles of non-motorized shoulders on US-31.

Iosco County - Rehabilitation of M-55 bridge deck over Hope Creek.

Antrim and Otsego counties - Resurfacing 11.8 miles of M-32 from US-31 Murner Road.

Oscoda County - Widening 1 mile of M-33 from Popps Road to Cherry Creek Road.

Missaukee County - Widening, resurfacing, intersection work, safety and drainage improvements, and streetscaping 8.1 miles on M-55 from M-66 to east of 8 Mile Road in Lake City.

Osceola County - Milling and resurfacing, plus safety and drainage improvements, on 3 miles of M-115 from 50th Avenue to 19 Mile Road.

Emmet County - Widening,

reconstruction, resurfacing, and safety improvements on 1.5 miles of US-31 from Shaw Road to Graham Road.

Alpena County - Reconstruction of 1.9 miles of US-23 from 11th Street to French Road (with a detour during Phase I).

Alcona County - Resurfacing 5.3 miles of US-23 from Black River Road to Sayers Road, and from Lake Shore Drive to Everett Road.

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## County representatives attend GOP convention

Crawford County was well represented at the GOP State Convention held in Lansing last month.

Crawford County Clerk/Register of Deeds Sandra Moore, Dave Stephenson, the chairman of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners, Tony Thomson and Sam Moore, the vice chairman of the Crawford County Republican Party and a

Frederic Township trustee, served as delegates/alternates to the Michigan Republican State Convention, held at the Lansing Convention Center on Feb. 15 and 16.

The 1st district caucus was held to nominate and appoint three delegates and three alternates who will attend the GOP National Convention in Minneapolis, which will be held September 1 - 4.

The Optical Scan voting equipment was introduced by Sandra Moore as a new system for the convention during the caucus and the election of delegates and alternates.

Speakers at the 1st district caucus included Chief Justice Clifford Taylor, State Senator Tony Stamas, R-Midland, Holly Hughes, the Republican National Committeewoman, Keith Butler, Republican

National Committeeman candidate and Janet Huckabee, the wife of Presidential nominee Mike Huckabee.

The state convention began with a breakfast reception hosted by Senator Jason Allen, R-Traverse City.

Many Republican speakers took the stage and addressed the concerns and issues that face Michiganders this election year.



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## Voters get final say on issues – maybe twice

by Clay Taylor  
 Capital News Service

Crafting ballot initiatives is a father-son activity for Saginaw attorneys Allan and Gregory Schmid, the forces behind two of 10 prospective initiatives this election year.

"I'm getting a little old," said Allan, who's been pioneering ballot initiatives since the 1970s. "My son is doing most of the work these days."

Ballot initiatives directly empower voters, said Mike Crow,

an assistant professor at Michigan State University's public affairs-oriented James Madison College.

"It's basically a mass town hall meeting for policy making," Crow said. "It's a chance for people to have a direct say in legislation, making their own decisions instead of letting the representatives do it."

One of the Schmidts' proposals would require a referendum on any proposed tax hike. The other would transform the state's full-time legislature into a part-time one.

"We are totally out of step with the rest of the country," Allan said, noting that Michigan is one of four states with a full-time legislature. "We are in step with all other states that have full-time legislature in that we have the highest paid legislature in country, the highest tax rates in the country and one of the most inefficient governments in the country."

That constitutional amendment would slash legislators' salaries by \$40,000 and limit the amount of time legislators spend in session.

If the Schmidts' idea sounds familiar, that's because a similar one sprang up in Kalamazoo that would cut lawmaker's pay by roughly \$35,000.

"It's going to be a confusing situation between this and the other so-called part-time legislature initiative," Allan said.

The major difference between Allan's and Kalamazoo's Turn Michigan Around initiative is that Allan's wouldn't end term limits for legislators.

Term limits block progress in

the Legislature, said Marty Dodge, senior vice president of the Kalamazoo Regional Chamber of Commerce, one of the initiative's affiliates.

"It's too much of a treadmill," Dodge said. "Folks come into office and they're immediately running for re-election. It doesn't lend itself to the creation of thoughtful, law-abiding officials."

Allan, who wrote the ballot initiative that first enacted term limits in 1992, said, "I think it's working better now than it ever has."

Michigan is one of 15 states with term limits for legislators.

While both initiatives may appear on the ballot, the one with the most votes would be enacted if both pass, according to the Secretary of State.

First, however, the initiative needs signatures, which Allan says is the hardest part of the process.

"We are attempting to get the signatures through volunteers," Allan said, in contrast to some groups that pay circulators to gather signatures.

"We're mailing petitions to groups of registered voters to sign and send back," he said.

A part-time legislature isn't the only topic to face potential overlaps on the ballot. Marijuana could also appear twice: The Michigan Coalition for Compassionate Care's (MCCC) initiative would legalize medical marijuana, and the Eaton Rapids-based Medical and Recreational Peace initiative would allow marijuana use by anyone over 18 on private property.

So far, the Ferndale-based Coalition for Compassionate Care's initiative is the only one to advance to the next stage after collecting the necessary signatures.

"It's making its way through the validation process, but we have every reason to believe that it will qualify," said Dianne Byrum, a publicist for the MCCC. "This is a citizens' initiative of a law. It requires a minimum of 304,101 qualified signatures. The campaign turned in just shy of half a million signatures."

A constitutional amendment, like both the part-time legislature initiatives, requires a heftier 380,000 signatures. After the signatures are validated, Byrum says the Legislature has 45 days to act on it. If it passes, it will become law. If it rejects the ini-

tiative or takes no action, voters would make the final decision in November.

The MCCC's initiative is intended to protect a "very narrow" group of seriously ill individuals who would have to register with the state and possess a doctor's note recommending the use of marijuana for their symptoms. Its Web site links to a report from the Marijuana Policy Project, which says medical marijuana can induce appetite, reduce nausea and relieve chronic pain and eye pressure.

Crow said issues like medical marijuana that concern a slim portion of voters are typical of ballot initiatives.

"What we typically see happen are ballot initiatives created by groups and organizations that have a particular agenda," Crow said. "They're strongly interested in a specific narrow interest."

"That said, ballot initiatives can become a political tool for groups that would seek to support one political party or another. One strategy could be used to organize ballot initiatives that would inspire Republican voters to come out and vote in favor in it."

Crow cited the 2004 gay marriage ban and the 2006 affirmative action ban as examples of politically divisive ballot initiatives designed to draw conservatives to the voting booths.

The biggest year for Michigan ballot initiatives was 1978 with 11, including the Headlee Amendment on taxes and the 21-year-old drinking age.

That year, the amount of controversial ballot initiatives did not drive many voters to polls, said Kelly Chesney, public information officer for the Secretary of State.

"Normally one would think that having this many proposals would have galvanized the public," Chesney said. "It was up from the 1974 election, but not significantly." Voter turnout increased 12 percent from the previous election.

Other initiatives that may appear on the November ballot concern stem cell research, a universal health care system, creation of "personal education accounts" to allow parents to control their child's education funding, creation of a 50-person Senate to increase diversity of opinion and replacement of the income tax and business tax with a sales tax. They are all gathering signatures.

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT



Kirtland Community College announces its Workforce Development Training Calendar for 2007-2008. These courses are designed to help employees in all types of businesses upgrade their skills, and would-be employees lay a foundation for future employment.

### Workforce Development Training Calendar Sept. 2007-May 2008

Computer Classes		
Course	Dates	Location
QuickBooks - Level 1 \$112 each level	Nov. 5	West Branch
	Oct. 22	M-TEC Gaylord
	Feb. 4	West Branch
	Feb. 18	M-TEC Gaylord
	May 5	West Branch
QuickBooks - Level 2 \$112 each level	May 19	M-TEC Gaylord
	Nov. 7	West Branch
	Oct. 24	M-TEC Gaylord
	Feb. 6	West Branch
	Feb. 20	M-TEC Gaylord
QuickBooks - Level 3 \$112 each level	May 7	West Branch
	May 21	M-TEC Gaylord
	Nov. 9	West Branch
	Oct. 26	M-TEC Gaylord
	Feb. 8	West Branch
MS Excel - Level 1 \$72 each level	Feb. 22	M-TEC Gaylord
	May 9	West Branch
	May 23	M-TEC Gaylord
	Sept. 17	M-TEC Gaylord
	Oct. 15	West Branch
MS Excel - Level 2 \$72 each level	March 3	West Branch
	March 24	M-TEC Gaylord
	Sept. 19	M-TEC Gaylord
	Oct. 15	West Branch
	March 3	West Branch
MS Excel - Level 3 \$72 each level	March 24	M-TEC Gaylord
	Sept. 21	M-TEC Gaylord
	Oct. 17	West Branch
	March 5	West Branch
	March 26	M-TEC Gaylord
MS Excel - Level 4 \$72 each level	March 28	M-TEC Gaylord
	Sept. 24	M-TEC Gaylord
	Oct. 17	West Branch
	March 5	West Branch
	March 28	M-TEC Gaylord

Entrepreneurial Training		
Course	Dates	Location
Business Basics: How to Start Your Own Business - \$15	Sept. 10	M-TEC Gaylord
	Sept. 12	West Branch
	Jan. 7	M-TEC Gaylord
	Jan. 15	West Branch
	Oct. 1	M-TEC Gaylord
How to Write a Business Plan - \$15	Oct. 10	West Branch
	Feb. 7	M-TEC Gaylord
	Feb. 19	West Branch
	March 3	M-TEC Gaylord
	March 18	West Branch
Marketing Your Business - \$15	April 7	M-TEC Gaylord
	April 22	West Branch
	Jan. 21	West Branch
	Jan. 23	M-TEC Gaylord
	Jan. 23	M-TEC Gaylord

MIOSHA Safety Training		
Course	Dates	Location
Health Issues in Healthcare - \$70	Oct. 3	M-TEC Gaylord
	March 4	West Branch
Dealing with Work Place Violence - \$70	Oct. 16	West Branch
When MIOSHA Visits - \$40	Nov. 30	M-TEC Gaylord
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## LIBRARY NEWS

The Frederic Community Library will host an "egg-citing" adventure on Saturday, March 15, at 11 a.m. There will be Easter stories, a holiday craft project and a mini Easter egg hunt. To sign up for this program, call Connie Meyer at 989-348-4067.

The C.C. L.L. Book Club is meeting at the Devereaux Memorial Library on Tuesday, March 25, at 5 p.m. This month's selection is "Widow of the South," a historical novel by first time author Robert Hicks. Copies of the book are available at the library, call Jane to reserve a copy

at 989-348-9214 ext. 1.

"Getting Money Smart" is a money management program for kids (and families) at the Devereaux Memorial Library on Thursday, March 27. Special guest will be Paul Buckles, a financial expert who will be on hand for two sessions. The first one will be from 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. and the second from 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Space is limited for this interactive event that will test your kids' skills in making their piggy banks grow. Sign up early by calling Jane at 989-348-9214 ext. 1.

## BUSINESS NEWS

Myers Land Survey Company of Grayling, a ROWE company, shares the spotlight as its affiliate Rowe Incorporated wins four professional awards since January 2008.

The American Council of Engineering Companies - Michigan (ACEC-M) named

ROWE its 2008 "Member Firm of the Year," in recognition of employees' activism in ACEC-M, the community and the design profession.

The Chevrolet Avenue Bridge Replacement project (Flint) won a Merit Award through ACEC-M's Engineering Excellence

## SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 69 complaints the week of March 3 - March 9:


Fourteen general non-criminal complaints, two delinquent minors, one false alarm activation, one criminal sexual conduct/sexual assault, four assault/intimidation/stalkings, three burglaries/home invasions, four larcenies, one fraudulent activity, two drug/narcotic violations, one weapons offense/concealed, four public peace/disorderlies, one OUIL/UBAL, two

health and safeties, one miscellaneous criminal offense, two miscellaneous arrests, 10 traffic accidents, two accidents-non-traffic, one traffic violation-civil infraction, one inspection/investigation-property, five inspections/investigations-families, six suspicious situations and one driving violation/driving while license suspended.

Sheriff Wakefield asks: "Do you know where your children are? Please remember, our children are our future."

For more information, log on to [www.crawfordsheriff.org](http://www.crawfordsheriff.org).

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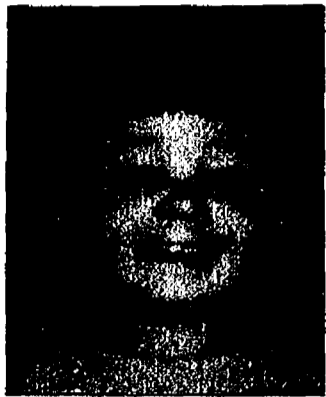
**Grayling's American Legion Post 106 and Aux.**  
 Will be having its second annual **St. Patrick's Day Dinner**  
 Open to the Public  
**Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup>**  
 In the Hall at 106 S. James St., Grayling.  
 Dinner will be served from 4:00 till 7:00 pm  
 A corn beef and cabbage dinner with coffee, milk, pop or beer, and dessert will be served. The cost of the dinner will be \$6 for adults, children 7-12, \$3, and children 6 and under are free.

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Andy & Stacy Moore  
Drew's proud grandparents are  
Fred & Nancy Moore &  
Jan & Mary Jo Gauthier



**Katelyn Moore**  
Born on 6/2/03  
Katelyn's proud parents are  
Andy & Stacy Moore  
Katelyn's proud grandparents are  
Fred & Nancy Moore &  
Jan & Mary Jo Gauthier



**Mikayla Joy Mertes**  
Born on 5/17/06  
Mikayla's proud parents are  
Jay & Amanda Mertes  
& Big Sister Emma  
Mikayla's proud grandparents are  
Brian & Kim Pratt &  
Harold & Lois Mertes



**Jarius Seth Smock**  
Born on 3/03/07  
Jarius' proud parents are  
John & Rena Smock  
Jarius' proud grandparents are  
Donald & Bernetta Smock - Grayling  
&  
Ed & Linda Efav - Denver



**Cali Jean D'Amour**  
Born on 9/04/07  
Cali's proud parents are  
Michael & Arica D'Amour  
Cali's proud grandparents are  
Monty & Patty D'Amour &  
Jeff & Tanya Wolcott



**Alexia Taylor D'Amour**  
Born on 7/08/05  
Alexia's proud parents are  
Michael & Arica D'Amour  
Alexia's proud grandparents are  
Monty & Patty D'Amour &  
Jeff & Tanya Wolcott



**Taylor Nicole Lozon**  
Born on 12/25/06  
Taylor's proud parents are  
Danielle Lepsy & Tom Lozon  
Taylor's proud grandparents are  
Vicki Blair, Cheryl Starr,  
David Lepsy, Greg Starr



**Blake Schreiner**  
Born 2/27/07  
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Nick & Ashley Schreiner  
Blake's proud grandparents are  
Bill & Maggie Schreiner, Donna Schreiner,  
Jim & Debbi Knowles



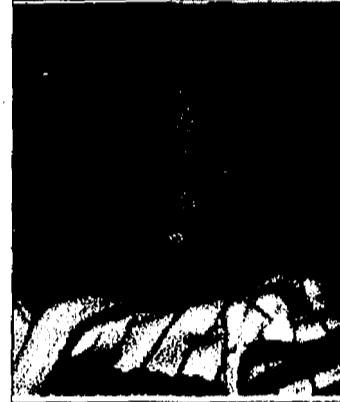
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Born on 10/14/05  
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Jill & Mick Glaser  
Hailey's proud grandparents are  
Bill & Jan Forbes



**Nolan Walker**  
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Nolan's proud grandparents are  
Kerry & Jeanie Harwood



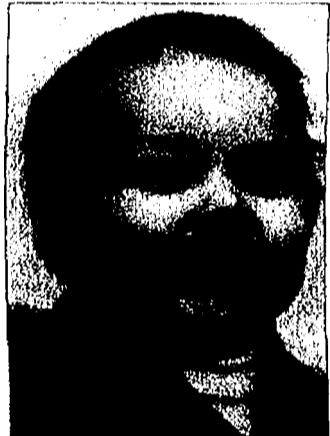
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Born on 3/06/03  
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Amy Welch & Corkey W.  
Rahzi's proud grandparents are  
Grandma Peggy &  
PaPa Steve Kish



**Braeden Tickle**  
Born on 9/28/07  
Braeden's proud parents are  
Kelley & Chuck Tickle of  
Sterling Heights  
Braeden's proud grandparents are  
Bill & Valerie Brown of Grayling



**Jaden Cottrell**  
Born on 3/07/07  
Jaden's proud  
grandparents are  
Colin & Cheryl Cottrell



**Edward E. Goscicki III**  
Born 4/27/07  
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Edward Goscicki II & Denise Ehlers  
Edward's proud grandparents are  
Edward Goscicki Sr. & Anne Goscicki



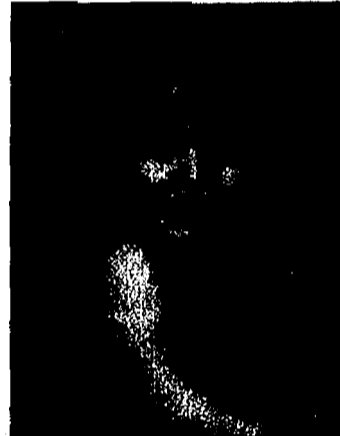
**Ryan Biggar**  
Born 4/24/05  
Ryan's proud parents are  
Rob & Som Biggar  
Ryan's proud grandparents are  
Bob & Ruth Biggar



**Grace Marcella Zelenak**  
Born 9/24/07  
Grace's proud parents are  
Arica & Art Zelenak  
Grace's proud grandparents are  
Bruce & Marcella Burkett



**Alexander Frazier Wood**  
Born 9/14/07  
Alexander's proud grandparents are  
Gene & Joyce Frazier



**Alyssa Gail Huber**  
Born on 7/25/06  
Alyssa's proud parents are  
Travis & Angela Huber  
Alyssa's proud grandparents are  
Chuck & Karen Huber &  
Bonnie Bindschattel



**Madilynn Gildner**  
Born on 5/22/07  
Madilynn's proud parents are  
Jerry & Katie Gildner  
Madilynn's proud grandparents are  
Jerry & Rose Gildner &  
John & Regina Arms



**Abelina Isabelle Sanchez**  
Born on 1/30/06  
Abelina's proud parents are  
Tim & Lila Sanchez



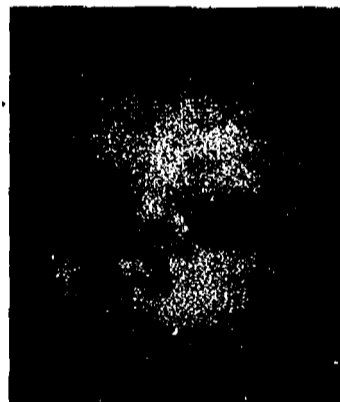
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Born on 3/24/07  
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Currie & Tammie Cormier II  
Faith's proud grandparents are  
Dona Andre,  
Currie & Donna Cormier, &  
Dennis & Marilyn Palmer



**Zoe Jeziorski**  
Born on 5/15/04  
Zoe's proud parents are  
Tim Jeziorski & Cat Yee  
Zoe's proud grandparents are  
Sharon & Rick Varisco &  
Ken & Jannie Yee



**Caleb A.K. Sheldon**  
Born on 2/19/07  
Caleb's proud parents are  
Gary & Jackie Sheldon  
Caleb's proud grandparents are  
Gary K. Sheldon,  
Margaret & Jerry Skidmore,  
Larry & Joanne Yoder,  
& Judy Trailer



**Noah Matthew Gabriel**  
Born 1/10/08  
Noah's proud parents are  
Matthew & Jessica Gabriel  
Noah's proud grandparents are  
Scott & Michelle Schwartz, Matt &  
Patty Gabriel & Annette Bissell



**\*Twin\* Emily Brown**  
Born on 6/12/07  
Emily's proud parents are  
Chad & Cindy Brown  
Emily's proud grandparents are  
Tammie Ledesma,  
Bob & Penny Shank, &  
Rick & Betty Daneluk



**\*Twin\* Lilly Brown**  
Born on 6/12/07  
Lilly's proud parents are  
Chad & Cindy Brown  
Lilly's proud grandparents are  
Tammie Ledesma,  
Bob & Penny Shank, &  
Rick & Betty Daneluk



**Lucas Blair**  
Born on 10/19/06  
Lucas' proud parents are  
Anthony & Amy Blair of  
River Rouge  
Lucas' proud grandparent is  
Kim Cothran of Grayling



**Kayleigh Blair**  
Born on 11/17/07  
Kayleigh's proud parents are  
Anthony & Amy Blair of  
River Rouge  
Kayleigh's proud grandparent is  
Kim Cothran of Grayling



**\*Twin\* Jonah Guildner**  
Born on 06/01/07  
Jonah's proud parents are  
Michelle & Gary Eagly  
Jonah's proud grandparents are  
Michael & Janet Guildner



**\*Twin\* Micah Guildner**  
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Jim Pryor Jr., left, finishes the 2008 Hanson Hills Classic cross country ski race on Sunday, March 2. Maria Frick, second from left, leaves the starting line. Glenn Goodman, second from right, reaches the finish line of the 12K race. Susan Joslin, right, starts the race.

## More than 60 skiers compete in Hanson Hills Challenge

■ Cross country race held on March 2 after being postponed in February due to rain

More than 60 skiers competed in Grayling Recreation Authority's 2008 Hanson Hills Challenge – a 12K cross country ski race held at Hanson Hills Recreation Area on Sunday, March 2.

The Hanson Hills Challenge was originally scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 17, but it was postponed due to freezing rain.

GRA race officials said this year's field of skiers, which included a total of 64 skiers, represented a "good turnout."

Racers started the event one at a time and skied the course primarily in double set tracks. The 12K course included hilly terrain.

Adam Kates and Emily Flynn were the overall winners in the men's and women's divisions, respectively. Kates finished with a time of 0:27:27. Flynn finished in 0:38:44.

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See "MORE THAN 60..."



Photos by Caleb Casey

Steve Seager, left, finishes the Hanson Hills Classic. Christine Fowler, center, breaks from the starting line. Stephen Karlson, right, approaches the finish line on Sunday.

## GHS wrestler wins 7th place medal at state finals

■ Senior Eric Madill finishes career with 136 wins and a new school record of 102 pins

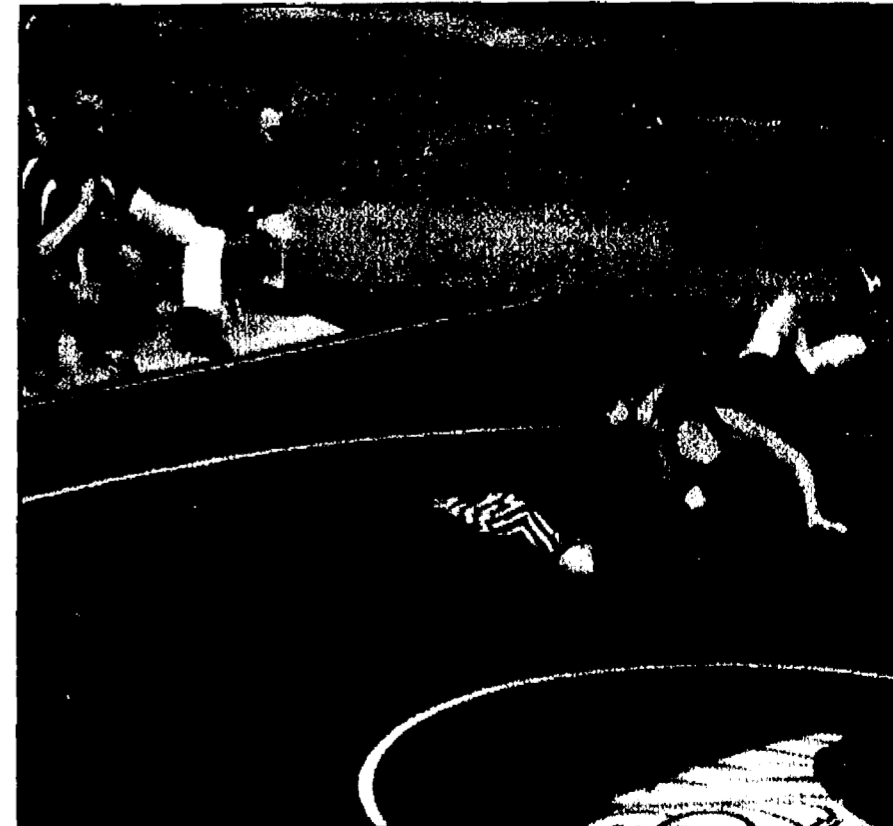
Eric Madill, a senior, capped his Grayling High School wrestling career with a 7th place finish at the Michigan High School Athletic Association's Division III Individual State Finals this past weekend.

Madill, who finished his career with 136 wins, established a new GHS record with 102 pins.

GHS wrestling coach Joe Ferrigan said Madill's weight division – 189 pounds – "was considered as one of the toughest weight classes in Division Three."

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See "GHS WRESTLER..."



(Left) Eric Madill, pictured with GHS wrestling coach Joe Ferrigan, won a 7th place medal in the 189-pound weight class at the MHSAA Division III Individual State Finals for wrestling. (Right) Madill tries for a pin vs. an opponent at the state finals.

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Emily Flynn, left, the winner of the women's division, starts the 2008 Hanson Hills Challenge. Adam Kates, right, the winner of the men's division, completes the 12K race on Sunday morning.

## More than 60 skiers compete in Hanson Hills Challenge

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Complete results of the 2008 Hanson Hills Challenge, by age division, are as follows (place, competitor, male/female, finish time):

1. Marlin Stevenson, M, 70-79, 1:02:04;  
1. Jean Murray, F, 70-79, 1:11:19;  
1. William Kaltz, M, 60-69, 0:35:35; 2. Tom Anderson, M, 60-69, 0:37:20; 3. Ernie

Brumbaugh, M, 60-69, 0:42:19;  
4. Greg Merwin, M, 60-69, 0:44:46; 5. George Gambert, M, 60-69, 0:48:03; 6. Rich Wells, M, 60-69, 0:55:14; 7. Leonard J. Block, M, 60-69, 1:09:28;  
1. Carole Merwin, F, 60-69, 1:10:41;  
1. John Gravlin, M, 50-59, 0:32:22; 2. Chris Weingartz, M, 50-59, 0:32:27; 3. Doug Heady, M, 50-59, 0:33:57; 4. Mike Quillinan, M, 50-59, 0:34:02; 5. Robin F. Luce, M, 50-59, 0:36:23; 6. Cris Jones, M, 50-59, 0:36:33; 7. John Kostrzewa, M, 50-59, 0:37:46; 8. Dick Fultz, M, 50-59, 0:38:55; 9. Mark Madorski, M, 50-59, 0:39:53; 10. Devan Thielfoldt, M, 50-59, 0:42:26; 11. Jeff Pike, M, 50-59, 0:45:02; 12. Rick Neier, M, 50-59, 0:45:43; 13. Dale F. Arbour, M, 50-59, 0:51:41; 14. Mark Abbe, M, 50-59, 0:55:26; 15. Brian Reicks, M, 50-59, 0:55:35; 16. Mark Pobocik, M, 50-59, 1:03:28;

1. Carole Mueller-Brumbaugh, F, 50-59, 0:47:39; 2. Linda Allen, F, 50-59, 1:03:03; 3. Cheryl Timm, F, 50-59, 1:04:15; 4. Christine Fowler, F, 50-59, 1:09:07;  
1. Dave Fanslow, M, 40-49, 0:32:13; 2. Jon Foltz, M, 40-49, 0:33:21; 3. Glenn Goodman, M, 40-49, 0:34:12; 4. Michael Seaman, M, 40-49, 0:35:12; 5. Jamie Green, M, 40-49, 0:35:25; 6. Jim Pryor Jr., M, 40-49, 0:35:58; 7. Steve Seager, M, 40-49, 0:36:07; 8. Stephen Karlsen, M, 40-49, 0:38:10; 9. Dale Ernst, M, 40-49, 0:45:14; 10. Tom Gardiner, M, 40-49, 0:47:07;  
1. Ann Wagar, F, 40-49, 0:41:38; 2. Joann Cavaletto, F, 40-49, 0:45:37; 3. Brenda Carlson, F, 40-49, 0:49:36; 4. Fran Upton, F, 40-49, 0:52:48; 5. Pam Riehl, F, 40-49, 0:54:41; 6. Susan Joslin, F, 40-49, 1:02:56; 7. Gwen Stevenson, F, 40-49, 1:03:58;  
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1. Kellie Kirk, F, 30-39, 0:49:26;  
1. Scott McCron, M, 20-29, 0:32:29;  
1. Hilary Witbrodt, F, 20-29, 0:47:32;

1. Mac Brennan, M, 19-under, 0:31:15; 2. Brendan Baic, M, 19-under, 0:31:28; 3. Spencer Hogan, M, 19-under, 0:32:17; 4. Jack Carlyle, M, 19-under, 0:32:27; 5. Andrew Barbeau, M, 19-under, 0:32:41; 6. Adam Hopfgartner, M, 19-under, 0:34:30; 7. Greg Brown, M, 19-under, 0:38:56;  
1. Maria Frick, F, 19-under, 0:44:12.

For more photos from this year's Hanson Hills Challenge cross country ski race, see Page 3B. More photos are also available at our Web site: [www.crawfordcountyavalanche.com](http://www.crawfordcountyavalanche.com). Use one of the "Photo Archive" links and go to the "Community Events" category, or click from "Sports & Recreation" to "Hanson Hills/GRA Events."

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Robert Smith, left, finishes the Hanson Hills Challenge. Brian Reicks, right, starts the race.

## Skiers earn all-state, team honors

The Grayling High School ski team recently announced its team awards and all-state honors for the 2008 season.

All-state skiers are selected based on their performances at the state finals. Mike Olson was named to the all-state third team. Cassie Pizzi and Hannah Smith

received honorable mentions. (Smith, who was not able to ski at the state finals due to an injury, received an honorable mention through unanimous voting by the coaches.)

Three Vikings - Pizzi, Smith, and Peter Alexander - received academic all-state recognition

this year.

The Vikings also handed out three team awards. Team MVPs were Pizzi and Olson. The Coaches Award went to Matt Hilbrecht and Smith. Peggy Currison and Alexander won the Most Improved awards.



Michael Seaman, left, Gwen Stevenson, center, and Greg Brown, right, depart from the starting line. Competitors started the Hanson Hills Challenge one at a time.

## More than 60 skiers compete in Hanson Hills Challenge



Photos by Caleb Casey

William Kaltz, left, finishes the 2008 Hanson Hills Challenge cross country ski race on Sunday, March 2. Kaltz took 1st in the men's 60-69 division. Ann Wagar, right, who won the women's 40-49 division, starts the race.



Hilary Witbrodt, left, leaves the starting line. Dick Fultz, right, reaches the finish line.

## GHS wrestler wins 7th place medal at state finals

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The tournament was held at the Palace of Auburn Hills on March 6-8.

"The 189-pound weight class boasted an undefeated wrestler, a defending state champ, two wrestlers with only one loss, and 10 other wrestlers with 10 or

fewer losses on their records for the entire season. Placing in the medals in this weight class was an outstanding accomplishment for Eric and Grayling wrestling," Coach Ferrigan said. "Eric has been the quiet leader for our wrestling team over the past four years, amassing 136 victories,

with 102 pins — a new school record."

"Eric will be missed next year, but as with other former wrestlers, Eric has promised to come back and help our future state champions," Coach Ferrigan said.

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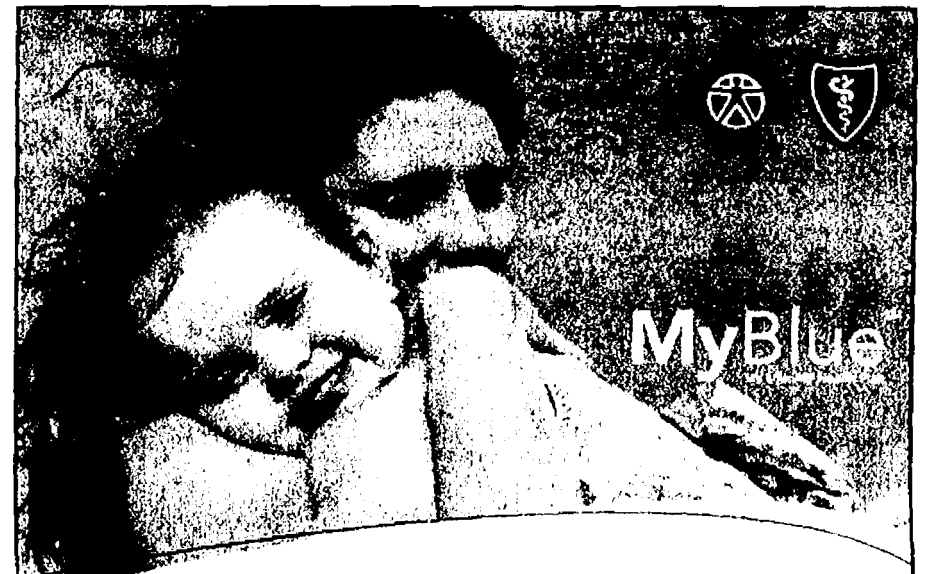
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## KIRTLAND BASKETBALL

### Men's Team

The Kirtland Community College men's basketball team's 2007-08 season ended on Wednesday, March 5, as the Firebirds were upset by the Macomb Community College Monarchs, 79-70, in the first round of the National Junior College Athletic Association District VIII tournament.

The fifth-seeded Firebirds (18-11 overall) swept the Monarchs in their two regular-season meetings, as Kirtland battled its way to a second place finish in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association Eastern Conference with a 14-4 mark in league play. Macomb (12-16 overall) was sixth in the conference at 7-11.

But 12th-seeded Macomb controlled Wednesday's tournament clash, leading by three points, 36-33, at the break. The Monarchs forged their biggest lead of the game, 74-59, in the second half.

Macomb outrebounded Kirtland, 38-30, and connected on an impressive 60 percent from the floor to earn the tournament win. The Monarchs were 9 for 13 (69.2 percent) from the three-point line. Kirtland, meanwhile, struggled offensively and hit just 28 of 71 (39.4 percent) from the floor, including only 5 of 24 (20.8 percent) from behind the arch.

But, the Firebirds did hold the advantage in several areas, with

Kirtland's bench outgunning Macomb's, 22-4. And Kirtland turned 18 Monarch turnovers into 23 points, while Macomb had just four points off seven Firebird miscues. The Firebirds were also a perfect 9 for 9 from the free-throw line, with Macomb hitting just 4 of 8 attempts.

A trio of sophomores led the charge for the Firebirds in Wednesday's season-ending loss. Forward/center Leroy Allen (Henry Ford Academy) posted team-highs in both scoring and rebounding while tallying 16 points, 9 boards, 1 assist, 1 steal and 1 blocked shot.

Guard/forward Steven Sidebottom (Mio-AuSable) chipped in 15 points, 4 boards, 3 steals and 2 assists for Kirtland, while guard/forward Brian Christian (Detroit Mumford) added 14 points, 3 assists and 1 rebound.

Other contributors for Kirtland included: Nick Simpson (Bay City All Saints) with 10 points, 3 rebounds, 3 assists and 1 steal; Pierson Szubelak (Fairview) with 7 points, 2 boards, 1 assist and 1 steal; Corey Wright (Mio-AuSable) with 5 points, 3 steals, 2 rebounds and 1 assist; Torey Throop (Vestaburg) with 3 points, 1 rebound and 1 assist; and Marc Wallace (Kalkaska) with 1 rebound.

### Women's Team

The Kirtland Community College women's basketball

dominated visiting Henry Ford Community College, 82-65, in the Firebirds' regular-season finale at the McGregor Athletic Complex in Mio on Saturday, Feb. 23.

The Firebirds have struggled as of late, losing their previous five games. Saturday's clash was the team's fourth game in seven days and seventh in two weeks, which has taxed a roster of just eight players, six of whom are freshmen.

But, after a 65-40 loss to host Oakland Community College on Feb. 20, Kirtland head coach Tom Ritter gave his squad time off to rest up for the visiting Hawks.

"A couple of days really paid off," Ritter said. "We were very focused from the beginning, all the way through."

Kirtland dominated the action for most of the game, leading 37-19 at the break and building leads of 20 or more points in the second half. It helped that Kirtland hit an impressive 31 of 55 shots (56.4 percent) from the floor.

"It's probably the best percentage we've shot all year," Ritter said. "It was a good finish to the (regular) season for us."

Five Firebirds scored in double figures against Henry Ford, with freshman forward Brooke Robinson (Standish-Sterling Central) tallying a game-high 17 points, a team-best 10 rebounds, 3 assists, 1 steal and 1 blocked shot in the win.

Playing her last game in front of her friends and family, sophomore guard/forward Jessica Smith (Mio-AuSable) tied her season high with 15 points, while also tallying 4 boards and 2 assists. Kirtland's only other sophomore, guard Trisha Petersen (Grayling), chipped in 6 points, 5 rebounds, 1 assist and 1 steal.

Other contributors for the Firebirds included: Sarah Ostroski (Standish-Sterling Central) with 11 points, 7 boards and 1 assist; Kaylon Leslie (Whittemore-Prescott) with 10 points, 6 rebounds, a team-high 7 assists, 1 steal and 1 block; Whitney Bonham (Ewart) with 10 points, 6 rebounds and 2 assists; Jo'ell Cruse (Inland Lakes) with 8 points, 2 assists, 2 boards and 2 steals; and Natasha Dewald (AuGres-Sims) with 5 points, 3 assists, 2 rebounds and 1 steal.

Despite the win, the Firebirds fell just short of qualifying for the Michigan Community College Athletic Association Women's Basketball Tournament.

Kirtland (13-14 overall) finished the season 10-8 in Eastern Conference play, the same as St. Clair County Community College (13-15 overall) and Delta College (12-15 overall). St. Clair, however, secured the fourth and final playoff spot for the Eastern Conference based on a tie-breaker, according to the MCCA's Web site.

## BOWLING LEAGUE

### Recreation League

Woody Girls ..... 30.5 - 13.5  
American Legion ..... 28 - 16  
Days Inn ..... 23 - 21  
GMH-NCC ..... 21 - 23  
Grayling Nurs.Center. .... 21 - 23  
Robin L. Smith CPA. 20.5 - 23.5  
T & T Fishing. .... 19 - 25  
Glen's Market. .... 13 - 31  
High Series: A. D'Amour, 534;  
L. Seibert, 510; M. Starks, 509.  
High Game: N. Glasslee, 195; L.

### Thursday Morning Coffee

Ladybugs ..... 23 - 9  
K.I.P. .... 18.5 - 13.5  
Chatty Three ..... 18 - 14  
Casino Bums ..... 17.5 - 14.5  
R.E.M. .... 15 - 17  
Snow Tops ..... 14 - 18  
Goofballs ..... 12 - 20  
Bill's Harem. .... 10 - 22  
High Series Men: D. Germain, 481; B. Holton and M. Brown, 479.  
High Game Men: D. Germain, 185; B. Holton, 179; K. Harris, 178.  
High Series Women: D. Miller, 522; N. Glasslee, 498; R. Brown, 479.  
High Game Women: D. Miller, 200; P. Harris, 188; N. Glasslee, 182.

### Friday Mixed Doubles

L & L Hauling. .... 52 - 32  
Bucket Brigade ..... 48 - 36  
Last Call ..... 48 - 36  
Miller Spillers ..... 44 - 40  
Great Lakes Roofing .... 41 - 43  
MMR ..... 40 - 44  
Forget About It. .... 33 - 51  
American Legion ..... 30 - 54

High Series Men: D. Williamson, 574; D. Canfield, 560; D. Burger, 525.  
High Game Men: D. Burger, 207; D. Williamson, 206; C. Hanson, 203.  
High Series Women: M. Starks, 521; K. Moshier, 494; M. Moshier, 484.  
High Game Women: K. Moshier, 201; M. Starks, 188; J. Dent, 184.

### Pioneer League

Grayling Rest ..... 21 - 7  
"5" B's ..... 16 - 12  
Eagles Nest Sports. .... 15 - 13  
T.C. Lawncare. .... 14 - 14  
Johnson Const ..... 13 - 15  
McDonald's ..... 12 - 16  
Spicy Bob's ..... 11 - 17  
Tim's Collision. .... 10 - 18  
High Series: T. Rock, 539; L. Rutter, 526; J. Coors, 514.  
High Game: L. Rutter, 211; T. Rock, 200; N. Glasslee, 188.

### Sunday Mixed Doubles

Spike's #1 ..... 46 - 24  
Spike's #2 ..... 44 - 26  
Extreme Muffins ..... 39 - 31  
Grayling Rest. #2 ..... 38 - 32

Bi-Polar Bowlers..... 32 - 38  
Farm Bureau ..... 27 - 43  
Gray Rock Cafe ..... 26 - 44  
Four Amigos ..... 26 - 44  
High Series Men: M. Cottrell, 584; K. Vaughn, 529; M. Forbes, 517.  
High Game Men: M. Cottrell, 220; M. Forbes, 206; K. Vaughn, 198.  
High Series Women: L. Mead, 497; E. Slater, 486; E. Akers, 458.  
High Game Women: E. Slater, 204; L. Mead, 191.

### American Men's League

GADCO ..... 9 - 5  
McLean's Ace ..... 8 - 6  
Moore's Auto ..... 8 - 6  
Derwich Ind ..... 7 - 7  
Fenton's Auto Serv. .... 7 - 7  
Otsego Lake Service ..... 6 - 8  
Dragon Repair ..... 6 - 8  
West Side Diner ..... 5 - 9  
High Series: Jason Thayer, 650; Lance Davis, 587; Lonnie Davis, 563.  
High Game: Jason Thayer, 254; T. Kotrash, 234; Jan Thayer, 230.

### Senior Bowling

Gaylord Electric. .... 23 - 13  
Flowers By Josie ..... 22 - 14  
Grayling Pharmacy ..... 21 - 15  
Kicking Grass ..... 20 - 16  
Spike's ..... 16 - 20  
Sylvester's Sports ..... 15 - 21  
Bear's Den Pizza ..... 14 - 22  
Lone Pine ..... 13 - 23  
High Series Men: L. Crampton, 627; B. Hollis, 541; P. Faustman, 491.  
High Game Men: L. Crampton, 236; B. Hollis, 211; P. Faustman, 187.  
High Series Women: C. Clark, 515; N. Glasslee, 496; M. Rysso, 491.  
High Game Women: C. Clark, 198; D. Doremire, 190.

### Grayling Youth Seniors

Team 4 ..... 16 - 8  
Team 3 ..... 14 - 10  
Team 5 ..... 13 - 11  
Team 2 ..... 12 - 12  
Team 1 ..... 8 - 16  
High Series Boys: M. Hellebuyck, 476; K. Harris, 413; K. Hahn, 386.  
High Game Boys: M. Hellebuyck, 175; K. Harris, 166; C. Davis, 150.  
High Series Girls: L. Johnson, 387; A. Peck, 360; P. Bushey, 342.  
High Game Girls: L. Johnson, 140; P. Lobsinger, 139; P. Bushey, 137.

### Grayling Youth Peeewees

Legion Legends ..... 10 - 2  
Fearsome Foursome ..... 9 - 3  
Team 4 ..... 8 - 4  
Strikers ..... 7 - 5  
Soldier Girls ..... 6 - 6  
Sparky ..... 5 - 7  
Team 8 ..... 3 - 9  
The B'E's ..... 0 - 12  
High Series Boys: D. Richardson, 210; K. Bonamie, 200; Z. Pittman, 184.  
High Game Boys: D. Richardson, 106; K. Bonamie, 101; Z. Pittman, 99.  
High Series Girls: A. Langowski, 220; C. Bonamie, 203; L. Leas, 197.  
High Game Girls: A. Langowski, 126; L. Leas, 116; C. Bonamie, 112.

## MEN'S BASKETBALL



AuSable Eyecare recently won the 2008 Grayling men's basketball league championship by defeating A-Tech of Roscommon, 67-44, in the finals. A-Tech reached the finals with a 63-60 win over Spike's. The AuSable Eyecare team: (front, L to R) managers Jeff Enos and Steven Enos, Darnell Wilson; (back L to R) Tim Swope, Spencer Dean, Wm. Dean, Joe Powers, Lewie Madill, Sean Finnegan, and Renee Mertes. Not pictured: Chet Wheeler, Jay Mertes, Paul Hamlin, and Rodney Roach.

## LEGAL ACTION

### MORTGAGE SALE

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on APRIL 16, 2008.

Said premises are located in the Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The North three-quarters of the South one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 23, Town 28 North, Range 4 West, lying East of the M.C.R.R. Right-of-Way. Being the same property conveyed to Douglas R. White and Vickie White, husband and wife by Deed dated 10-7-04 and recorded 10-7-04 in Deed Book 671, Page 859, in the Office of the Recorder of Crawford County, Michigan.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: March 13, 2008  
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Under the power of sale contained in said

mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on March 26, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Maple Forest, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 3: Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 19,

Town 28 North, Range 3 West, Maple Forest Township, Crawford County, Michigan, beginning at a point located distant North 00 degrees 21 minutes 20 seconds East, along the east line of said Section 19, a distance of 507.05 feet and North 61 degrees 00 minutes West, 186.75 feet and North 83 degrees 37 minutes West, 60.0 feet from the East 1/4 corner of said section 19; thence continuing North 83 degrees 37 minutes West, 65.0 feet; thence

North 72 degrees 22 minutes West, 136.66 feet; thence South 53 degrees 49 minutes West, 97.0 feet; thence North 87 degrees 28 minutes West, 256.68 feet; thence North 08 degrees 07 minutes East 181.20 feet; thence North 33 degrees 59 East, 377.93 feet; thence South 30 degrees 34 minutes East, 575.37 feet to the point of beginning. Along with and subject to a 66 foot easement for ingress and egress and public utilities, centerline of said easement described as beginning at a point on the east line of said Section 19 located North 00 degrees 21 minutes 20 seconds East, 407.05 feet from

the East 1/4 corner of said Section 19; thence North 61 degrees 00 minutes West, 186.75 feet; thence North 83 degrees 37 minutes West, 125.0 feet; thence North 72 degrees 22 minutes West, 136.66 feet; thence South 53 degrees 49 minutes West, 97.0 feet; thence North 87 degrees 28 minutes West, 256.68 feet; thence North 08 degrees 07 minutes East, 181.20 feet; thence North 33 degrees 59 minutes East, 377.93 feet; thence South 52 degrees 45 minutes East, 257.24 feet to the point of ending on the east line of said Section 19.

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The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on APRIL 2, 2008.

Said premises are located in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lots 9 and 10, Block 25, of Roffee's Addition to the Village (now City) of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: February 28, 2008  
Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
(248) 457-1000 File No. 199.4657  
-28-6-13-20

### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brandin Duryea a single man and Melody Weaver a single woman, as joint tenants, original mortgagor(s), to Gregory L. Webster and Lorraine K. Webster, husband and wife, as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 9th 2001 recorded April 12, 2001 in Liber 553, Page 381 through 383, Crawford County Records Michigan, and subsequently assigned to Covenant Capital, Inc., dated March 9, 2001, and recorded April 12, 2001 in Liber 533, Page 384, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty Eight Thousand Four hundred Eighty Four Dollars and Forty Cents (\$38,484.40). Including interest of 11%

per Annum, Fees and Costs.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding, the 46th Circuit Court Lobby within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on April 9th, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 03 of Plats Page 34, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 4, 2008

Brian J. Hoffman (P60149)  
Attorney for Covenant Capital, INC.  
49 N. Morey Rd.  
P.O. Box 529  
Lake City, Michigan 49651  
-13-20-27-3

### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Joseph H. Balagna and Christina Balagna, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated June 29, 2006, and recorded on July 31, 2006 in Liber 682 on Page 593, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Four Thousand Fourteen And 67/100 Dollars (\$64,014.67), including interest at 7.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on April 16, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 68 of AuSable Woods No. 3, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Liber 3, Page 9, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 13, 2008  
For more information, please call:  
FC C 248.593.1301  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #191437F01  
-13-20-27-3

### MORTGAGE SALE

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Norman H. Spinelli, a married man and Irene Spinelli, his wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 7, 2005 and recorded November 21, 2005 in Liber 678, Page 590, Crawford County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Seventy-Four Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Six and 16/100 Dollars (\$174,236.16) including interest at 7.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on APRIL 2, 2008.

Said premises are located in the Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The West one-quarter of the East one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter, lying South of Highway M-76, Section 29, Town 25 North, Range 3 West, Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: February 28, 2008  
Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
(248) 457-1000 File No. 199.4656  
-28-6-13-20

### MORTGAGE SALE

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael Wiles and Alicia Wiles, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., Mortgagee, dated June 3, 2005 and recorded June 7, 2005 in Liber 675, Page 806, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee for DBALT 2005-AR1 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Three Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Eight and 26/100 Dollars (\$43,498.26) including interest at 7.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on APRIL 9, 2008.

Said premises are located in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at a point 66 feet North and 33 feet East of the South one-eight post between Sections 7 and 8, Town 26 North, Range 3 West; and running thence East 120 feet, thence North 60 feet, thence West 120 feet, thence South 60

feet to the place of beginning. Being a part of the Northwest one-quarter of Southwest one-quarter of Section 8, Town 26 North, Range 3 West, lying within the boundary of the City of Grayling.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: March 6, 2008  
Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
(248) 457-1000 File No. 306.0858  
-6-13-20-27

### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Boyd St Clair and Claudia Faust St Clair, husband and wife, joint tenancy with full rights of survivorship, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 22, 2005, and recorded on November 30, 2005 in Liber 678 on Page 732, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to EverHome Mortgage Company as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Six Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-One And 46/100 Dollars (\$46,471.46), including interest at 8% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on April 9, 2008.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at a point 567 feet East and 380 feet North of the South 1/8 post between Sections 7 and 8, Town 26 North, Range 3 West; thence North 52 feet; thence East 158 feet; thence South 52 feet; thence West 158 feet to Place of Beginning. Being part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 8, Town 26 North, Range 3 West

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 6, 2008  
For more information, please call:  
FC R 248.593.1305  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #190885F01  
-6-13-20-27

# LEGAL ACTION

## FORECLOSURE NOTICE

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by:

Terry L. Adkinson and Patricia L. Adkinson, Husband and Wife to

Amerquest Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated September 17, 2004 and recorded September 28, 2004 in Liber 671 Page 697 Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was subsequently assigned to: Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee, in trust for the registered holders of Amerquest Mortgage Securities, Inc., Asset Backed Pass Through Certificates, Series 2004-R11, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars and Six Cents (\$88,228.06) including interest 11.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Crawford County at 10:00AM on April 2, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 5, Grayling Manor, According to the Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 10, Crawford County Records.

Commonly known as 551 Pembroke Dr, Grayling MI 49738  
The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later.

Dated: FEBRUARY 22, 2008  
Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee, in trust for the registered holders of Amerquest Mortgage Securities, Inc., Asset Backed Pass Through Certificates, Series 2004-R11,

Assignee of Mortgage  
Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.  
811 South Blvd. Suite 100  
Rochester Hills, MI 48307  
(248) 844-5123

Our File No: 08-87265  
-31-6-13-20

## FORECLOSURE NOTICE

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by:

Chad Hawley and Amy Hawley, Husband and Wife to  
Olympus Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated November 29, 2004 and recorded December 9, 2004 in Liber 672 Page 826 Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was subsequently assigned to: Wells Fargo Bank, NA as Trustee under Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of February 1, 2005 Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2005 WHQ1, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-One Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-Two Dollars and Ninety-Five Cents (\$71,732.95) including interest 10.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Crawford County at 10:00AM on March 26, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 11, Block 1, Brink's Park, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1, Page 33, Crawford County Records.

Commonly known as 210 Rolla St., Grayling MI 49738  
The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later.

Dated: FEBRUARY 14, 2008  
Wells Fargo Bank, NA as Trustee under Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of February 1, 2005 Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2005 WHQ1,

Assignee of Mortgage  
Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.  
811 South Blvd. Suite 100  
Rochester Hills, MI 48307  
(248) 844-5123

Our File No: 08-87327  
-21-28-6-13

## FORECLOSURE NOTICE

**FORECLOSURE NOTICE** This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. **MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Amy Jean Leonard, a married person to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., solely as nominee for EquiFirst Corporation, Mortgagee, dated October 24, 2006 and recorded November 9, 2006 in Liber 684 Page 107 Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was subsequently assigned to: Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for the registered holders of Soundview Home Loan Trust 2006 EQ2 Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-EQ2, on

which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Two Dollars and Ninety-Three Cents (\$87,402.93) including interest 8.65% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, Circuit Court of Crawford County at 10:00AM on April 16, 2008. Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Southeast one-quarter of Lot 10 Block 10, Original Plat of the Village (now City) of Grayling, according to the recorded plat thereof. Also described as: Part of Lot 10, Block 10, of Original Plat of the Village (now City) of Grayling, described as: Commencing at the Southerly corner of said Lot 11; thence North 45 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 120.19 feet along the Southwesterly line of said Lot 11 to the Point of Beginning at the Southerly corner of said Lot 10; thence continuing North 45 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 24.00 feet; thence North 44 degrees 57 minutes 29 seconds East 58.11 feet; thence South 49 degrees 43 minutes 28 seconds East 24.08 feet to the Northerly corner of said Lot 11; thence South 44 degrees 57 minutes 29 seconds West 60.08 feet along the line between said Lots 10 and 11 to the Point of Beginning. AND Lot 11 Block 10 of Original Plat of the Village (now City) of Grayling as recorded in Crawford County Records. Commonly known as 403 Michigan Avenue, Grayling MI 49738  
The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later.  
Dated: MARCH 7, 2008 Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for the registered holders of Soundview Home Loan Trust 2006 EQ2 Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-EQ2, Assignee of Mortgage Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 03/20/2008, 03/27/2008, 04/03/2008 -31-6-13-20

## MORTGAGE SALE

PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT, ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248)539-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by GLEN R. CARLSON, A SINGLE MAN, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns., Mortgagee, dated May 27, 2003, and recorded on June 16, 2003, in Liber 639, on Page 184, and assigned by said mortgagee to THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK, as assigned, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-One Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-Eight Dollars and Forty-Eight Cents (\$31,598.48), including interest at 7.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 AM o'clock, on April 16, 2008

Said premises are situated in Crawford County, Michigan and described as:  
THE NORTH 1 / 2 OF THE WEST 1 / 2 OF THE WEST 1 / 2 OF THE EAST 1 / 4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1 / 4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1 / 4 OF SECTION 7, TOWN 26 NORTH, RANGE 2 WEST.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 6, 2008

## CITY OF GRAYLING CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN

### AMENDMENTS TO THE NUISANCE ORDINANCE, #02-1

The City of Grayling Ordains:

- (1) Clarifies the definition of junk, provides where junk is not allowed, and sets non-use for thirty consecutive days as prima facie evidence.
- (2) Expands the definition of an operational vehicle.

This amending ordinance was adopted by City Council on February 25, 2008. These amendments go into effect ten days after publication of this notice. A certified copy of the ordinance is available for review in the City Clerk's office at 1020 City Boulevard, Grayling.

Michele A. Moshier  
City Clerk

THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK Mortgagee/Assignee

Peter M. Schneiderman & Associates, P.C.  
23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450  
Southfield, MI 48075

-13-20-28-3

## MORTGAGE SALE

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Glen R. Carlson, a single man, to Bank of Ann Arbor, Mortgagee, dated August 2, 2002 and recorded August 7, 2002 in Liber 591, Page 237, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Washington Mutual Bank, FA by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Sixty-Four Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-Seven and 26/100 Dollars (\$164,887.26) including interest at 7.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County Records, Michigan, at 10:00 a.m. on MARCH 26, 2008.

Said premises are located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The South one-half of the East one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter, Section 9, Town 26 North, Range 3 West.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: February 21, 2008  
Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys for Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
(248) 457-1000 File No. 362.3089  
-21-28-6-13

## MORTGAGE SALE

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**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by KENNETH M. SMITH, A SINGLE MAN, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns., Mortgagee, dated August 10, 2005, and recorded on August 19, 2005, in Liber 676, on Page 910, and modified by Partial Release of Mortgage dated January 7, 2008, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand One Hundred Seven Dollars and Sixty-Four Cents (\$155,107.64), including interest at 6.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 AM o'clock, on April 2, 2008

Said premises are situated in Crawford County, Michigan and described as: PARCEL "D" - PART OF THE NORTH 1 / 2 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1 / 4 OF SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, FREDERIC TOWNSHIP, CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTH 1 / 4 CORNER OF SAID SECTION 2;

THENCE NORTH 1 DEGREE 11 MINUTES 45 SECONDS EAST (ALONG THE NORTH AND SOUTH 1 / 4 LINE) 1757.6 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES WEST, 1807.43 FEET TO THE LEFT BANK OF THE AUSABLE RIVER; THENCE NORTH 31 DEGREES 26 MINUTES EAST (ALONG SAID BANK) 154.9 FEET; THENCE NORTH 12 DEGREES 54 MINUTES WEST (ALONG SAID BANK), 116.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES EAST, 1757.68 FEET TO THE NORTH AND SOUTH 1 / 4 LINE; THENCE SOUTH 1 DEGREE 11 MINUTES 45 SECONDS WEST 245 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. THIS PARCELS EXTENDS TO THE WATERS EDGE OF THE AUSABLE RIVER.

EXCEPTING THEREFROM THAT PORTION DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

PARCEL D-1: PART OF THE NORTH-EAST 1 / 4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1 / 4 OF SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, FREDERIC TOWNSHIP, CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE NORTH AND SOUTH 1 / 4 LINE OF SAID SECTION 2 DISTANT SOUTH 01 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 45 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID 1 / 4 LINE 626.00 FEET FROM THE CENTER OF SAID SECTION 2; THENCE CONTINUING SOUTH 01 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 45 SECONDS WEST 245.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES WEST 1,184.83 FEET; THENCE NORTH 01 DEGREES 16 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST 245.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES EAST 1,184.48 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SUBJECT TO AND ALONG WITH THE RIGHT OF INGRESS AND EGRESS OVER THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED EASEMENTS: A 33 FOOT EASEMENT OVER THE WEST 1 / 2 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1 / 4 OF SAID SECTION 2 LYING WEST OF OLD U.S. 27 AS RECORDED IN LIBER 101, PAGE 30. ALSO A 33 FOOT EASEMENT OVER PART OF THE NORTH-EAST 1 / 4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1 / 4 OF SAID SECTION 2, NORTH LINE DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT THE CENTER OF SAID SECTION 2; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES WEST ALONG THE EAST AND WEST 1 / 4 LINE 1,216.57 FEET; THENCE FROM THAT POINT BECOMING A 66 FOOT EASEMENT, CENTERLINE DESCRIBED AS SOUTH 01 DEGREES 16 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST 871.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES EAST 1,217.83 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 45 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE EAST SIDE 443.30 FEET TO THE POINT OF ENDING.

ABOVE NOW BEING DESCRIBED AS:

PARCEL D-2: PART OF THE NORTH-EAST 1 / 4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1 / 4 OF SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 27 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, FREDERIC TOWNSHIP, CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT A POINT LOCATED DISTANT SOUTH 01 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 45 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE NORTH AND SOUTH 1 / 4 LINE OF SAID SECTION 2 A DISTANCE OF 626.00 FEET AND SOUTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES WEST 1,184.48 FEET FROM THE CENTER OF SAID SECTION 2; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 16 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST 245.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES WEST 622.60 FEET TO A POINT OF TRAVERSE ALONG THE EAST BANK OF AU SABLE RIVER LATER REFERRED TO AS FIRST MENTIONED POINT OF TRAVERSE; THENCE CONTINUING SOUTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES WEST 45 FEET MORE OR LESS TO SAID EAST BANK; THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG SAID EAST BANK 265 FEET MORE OR LESS; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES EAST 42 FEET MORE OR LESS TO A POINT OF TRAVERSE LOCATED NORTH 31 DEGREES 26 MINUTES EAST 154.90 FEET AND NORTH 12 DEGREES 54 MINUTES WEST 116.00 FEET FROM FIRST MENTIONED POINT OF TRAVERSE; THENCE CONTINUING NORTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES EAST 573.20 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

SUBJECT TO AND ALONG WITH THE

RIGHT OF INGRESS AND EGRESS OVER THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED EASEMENTS: A 33 FOOT EASEMENT OVER THE WEST 1 / 2 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1 / 4 OF SAID SECTION 2 LYING WEST OF OLD U.S. 27 AS RECORDED IN LIBER 101 PAGE 30. ALSO, A 33 FOOT EASEMENT OVER PART OF THE NORTH-EAST 1 / 4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1 / 4 OF SAID SECTION 2, NORTH LINE DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT THE CENTER OF SAID SECTION 2; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES WEST ALONG THE EAST AND WEST 1 / 4 LINE, 1216.57 FEET; THENCE FROM THAT POINT BECOMING A 66 FOOT EASEMENT, CENTERLINE DESCRIBED AS SOUTH 01 DEGREES 16 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST 871.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES EAST 1217.83 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 45 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE EAST SIDE 443.30 FEET TO THE POINT OF ENDING.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 21, 2008

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee/Assignee

Peter M. Schneiderman & Associates, P.C.  
23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450  
Southfield, MI 48075

-28-6-13-20

## NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Vivian Balmes and Gerald Balmes, Husband and Wife, original mortgagor(s), to Citizens Bank, Mortgagee, dated November 18, 2004, and recorded on December 15, 2004 in Liber 672 on Page 911, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-One Thousand One Hundred Nineteen And 88/100 Dollars (\$121,119.88), including interest at 6.44% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on April 16, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Being Lot Number 31 and Lot Number 32, in Skyline Heights, as shown in the recorded plat/map thereof in Liber 3, Page 32 of Crawford County Records

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 13, 2008  
For more information, please call:  
FC L 248.593.1312  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200  
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525  
File #192542F01

-13-20-27-3

**Crawford County Board of Commissioners meeting minutes are now available on the county website: [www.crawfordco.org](http://www.crawfordco.org) eight days following the scheduled board meeting or may be obtained at the County Clerk's office for six (6) cents per page.**

**Sandra Moore  
County Clerk/Register of Deeds  
October 11, 2002**

## CRAWFORD COUNTY BUILDING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT

### PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN 300 FEET NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing of the Crawford County Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on Thursday, March 27, 2008 at 6:00 PM in the Circuit Court Room of the County Building.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to hear comments on:

Case# PB080018 Requesting a variance of 125' to the North Branch of the AuSable River to build an addition to combining the residence and sleeping area.

Petitioner: T. Eduardo & Maria Garcia  
2725 Warner Dr.  
West Bloomfield, MI 48324

The above case refers to the following described property:  
536 Catabish Trail  
Grayling, MI 49738

Township: South Branch  
Property Code: 063-002-004-045-00  
Zoning District: RD-R

All documents are available for review at, and comments should be sent to:

Crawford County Building & Zoning Department  
200 W. Michigan Ave. - Annex Building  
Grayling, MI 49738

Joseph Duran - Director

## BEAR LAKE TOWNSHIP NOTICE

The following is the SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS for the 2008 - 2009 FISCAL YEAR for the BEAR LAKE TOWNSHIP BOARD. All meetings start at 7 pm at the BEAR LAKE COMMUNITY CENTER at M-72 and E. Bear Lake Road, Kalkaska County.

Annual Meeting, Saturday, March 29, 2008, 10 AM  
Special Meeting of Board following Annual Meeting

April 1, 2008	October 7, 2008
May 7, 2008 (Wednesday)	November 5, 2008 (Wednesday)
June 3, 2008	December 2, 2008
July 1, 2008	January 6, 2009
August 6, 2008 (Wednesday)	February 3, 2009
September 2, 2008	March 3, 2009

Annual Meeting, Saturday, March 29, 2008, 10 AM  
Special Meeting of Board following Annual Meeting

Carol Rosenberg, Clerk  
231-258-4871

# FEATURES

## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



March 14, 1985 - Adolf Hitler, played by John Naour, is interviewed by American G.I. Mike Branch in a Rotary Minstrel Show.

23 Years Ago  
March 14, 1985

Bridget Hoffman, a former Grayling resident, plays "Dorothy" in a new AAA Michigan 30-second, television commercial about homeowner's insurance. The commercial, which premieres on March 18, has a "Wizard of Oz" theme.

The Grayling High School Individual Speech Events (Forensics) Team traveled to Gaylord for the Gaylord Alpine Invitational. The students competed in nine different events in

their first invitational tournament of the 1985 season. Kristen Lademan, Christy Best, Barb Fitzgerald, Cathy Harrison, Amy Smith, Kim McDonough, Erin Hickey, Laura Grudzien, Brenda Prause, Kim Stockton, Jeff Martinez and Kathy Allen were all forensic award winners.

Four Crawford AuSable School District students were named winners in the Crawford County Art Council note card design contest. Dawn Phelps, senior; Karen Louchart, 6th grade; Tony DiPonio, 6th grade and Dylan

Starks, kindergarten, were all winners. They received \$25 cash prizes for their winning efforts.

Crawford County ranked fifth among 17 northern lower Michigan counties in oil production during 1984, according to the Michigan Oil and Gas News. Crawford County was ranked sixth in gas production during 1984. The latest figures, released by the magazine, show Crawford County had produced 1,903,038 barrels of oil from January through June of 1984.

A crew of four Michigan Conservation Corps (MCC) workers and their supervisor used the winter season to build more than 100 duck boxes and cut browse for deer. The MCC crew, working through the Grayling Department of Natural Resources field office, built the boxes for wood ducks in Crawford County and other counties. About 25 of the boxes were placed at Lake Margrethe and some may be used at Connor's Marsh and Big Creek.

46 Years Ago  
March 15, 1962

The Frederic Eagles, like the Grayling Vikings, drew a first round bye, and defeating Bellaire 52 - 51, moved them into the finals at Gaylord. Their opponents, the Gaylord St. Mary's Snowbirds, came up the tough side of the bracket, winning two tough games to get into the championship game. The Eagles proved to be no match for their Gaylord opponent, as the final score was 73-45.

Power lines in the down river

area were knocked out for eight hours Monday because of the heavy wet snow which brought down tree limbs by the hundreds. Service was out at Lake Margrethe for seven hours during the day and phone service was disrupted in the down river area.

The Dr. Ralph Hoffmans have sold their home at 502 Ionia Street to the Frank Bonds. The Hoffmans plan to move out later in the spring.

69 Years Ago  
March 16, 1939

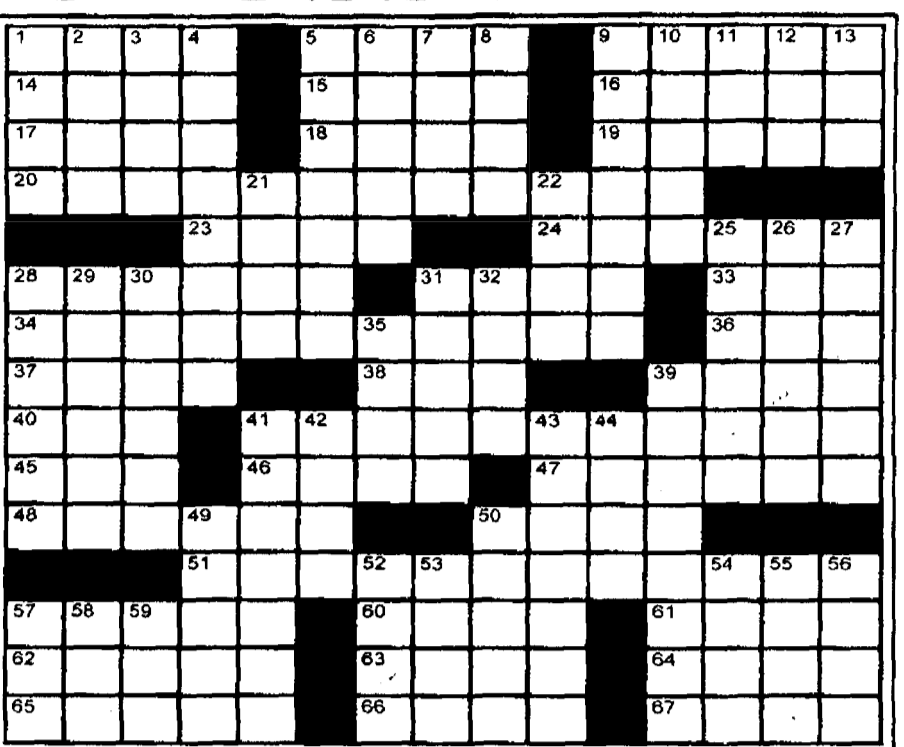
William Jenson, residing on the Durant estate in South Branch Township, snowshoed in from his home on Monday. The family has been snowed in for five weeks and he had to come to town for provisions. He remained overnight at the home of his sister, Mrs. Maurice Gorman, returning home the following morning.

Mrs. Isaac Bouslay entertained her Bunco Club Tuesday evening. High and low scores were held by Mrs. Llwyn Doremire and Mrs. Rollo Failing.

92 Years Ago  
March 16, 1916

Shopenagon's Inn is the name finally adopted for our new hotel. This is in memory of our Indian friend, David Shopenagons, who was a character in the growth and development of Grayling. He died Christmas Day, 1911, at the age of 103 or more. The opening of the hotel will be fittingly celebrated and will be a red letter day in Grayling.

## CROSSWORD



### Across

1. Doing nothing
5. Small piece
9. Wears out
14. Ballet move
15. "\_\_\_ on Down the Road"
16. Universal remedy of Paracelsus
17. Dolly \_\_\_ of "Hello, Dolly!"
18. Accordingly
19. Nervous and unable to relax
20. Large sum of money
23. Cork's country
24. Wealth
28. Mainstay
31. "What are the \_\_\_?"
33. Tokyo, formerly
34. Radioactive transuranic element
36. Be bedridden
37. Affectedly creative
38. Cooking meas.
39. European language
40. Code word
41. Person employed to sell merchandise
45. "\_\_\_ to Billie Joe"
46. Kind of film
47. Silver, in heraldry
48. Pertaining to Germany
50. "Mi chiamano Mimi," e.g.
51. Act of intervening
57. Bear
60. After-dinner selection
61. "What's gotten \_\_\_ you?"
62. Plantain lily
63. Not yet final, at law
64. Cast a ballot
65. \_\_\_ alcohol
66. Aardvark fare
67. Carbon compound

### Down

1. Mistortunes
2. Adjudge

3. \_\_\_ lamp
4. Disorder of the central nervous system
5. Liberate
6. California border lake
7. \_\_\_-friendly
8. Bowed
9. Sect founded in the 6th century BC as a revolt against Hinduism
10. Montezuma, e.g.
11. Elmer, to Bugs
12. Addis Ababa's land: Abbr.
13. Diffident
21. Bounce
22. Language of Lahore
25. Final transport
26. Inventor of the stock ticker
27. Strait of the English Channel between the coast of Hampshire and the Isle of Wight
28. Gob
29. Harangue
30. Part of the stamen that contains pollen
31. Attack
32. Business slumps
35. "\_\_\_ be a cold day in hell ..."
39. Case that identifies the subject of a transitive verb
41. Watergate, e.g.
42. Em, to Dorothy
43. Partial paralysis
44. "\_\_\_ go brag!"
49. Suggestive of mint
50. "Hail!" to a salt
52. European erupter
53. Curb, with "in"
54. Knowing, as a secret
55. "Beetle Bailey" dog
56. "O Sanctissima," e.g.
57. "\_\_\_ Cried" (1962 hit)
58. Crib sheet user
59. \_\_\_ Wednesday

## RECIPE OF THE WEEK



- 4 large eggs, beaten
- 1 small tomato, seeded and diced
- 1/4 cup sliced roasted red pepper, drained

Combine eggs and tomato in small bowl; set aside. Heat greased, large, nonstick skillet over medium-high heat. Pour in egg mixture. Mixture should set immediately at edges. Carefully push cooked portions at edges toward center so uncooked portions can reach hot pan surface, tilting pan and moving cooked portions as necessary. While top is still moist and creamy looking, fill with roasted pepper, pesto and cheese. Reduce heat to low; fold omelet in half. Cook for an additional 2 minutes. Serve immediately.

## Pesto Omelet

- 2 tablespoons refrigerated pesto with basil
- 2 tablespoons freshly shredded Romano cheese

Makes 2 Servings

## ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

## ADOPT A PET



Sherbit is a very handsome and quiet young cat. He has been with us at the shelter for a year now and would really love to find his forever home. Sherbit likes other cats and does well with dogs. This guy could be your new best friend!



The AuSable Valley Animal Shelter is a participating member of the Very Best Pet Network.

AuSable Valley Animal Shelter is located at:

5786 Fairground Lane, Grayling

Hours: Open 10 to 3 pm Monday thru Saturday, 10 to 12 pm on Sundays and Holidays

After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

For more pets or more information, visit our website [www.asec.petfinder.com](http://www.asec.petfinder.com)

## WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week				Extended Forecast					
Date	H	L	Snow Inches	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
3/4	45	8	0						
3/5	25	6	0						
3/6	32	12	1	High 40	High 40	High 32	High 33	High 36	High 38
3/7	29	5	0	Low 27	Low 23	Low 16	Low 16	Low 26	Low 22
3/8	19	-7	0	AM Snow Showers	Few Snow Showers	Mostly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Snow Shower	Rain/Snow Showers
3/9	21	-5	0						
3/10	24	-6	0						

**WILD**

**FIND THE TWINS**  
WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?

**SEEK AND FIND**  
FIND THESE WORDS IN THE PUZZLE BELOW.

WALRUS WHARF WOMBAT  
WARTHOSE WHIMPER WOLF  
WEASEL WOODPECKER WREN

THE WORDS READ UP, DOWN AND ACROSS.

WRWOODPECK  
WEASELWRIW  
AKWSWOLLFH  
RCEUWOMBAE  
TEWRENWOM  
HPWLFFGWVB  
ODWALWJHHR  
GOKWOMBATE  
LOMNWVRLCI  
WWHIMBRELB

**MAZE**

Start Here ↓

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**HOROSCOPES**  
For the week of March 13, 2008

**CAPRICORN**  
December 22-January 19

What do you know, Capricorn. Projects at work and home are completed, leaving you with some time on your hands. Use it to reconnect with family and friends.

**ARIES**  
March 21-April 19

Smile, Aries. Happiness is contagious and the good vibes you create at home will be reason enough to throw a little party and have some fun.

**CANCER**  
June 22-July 22

Acts of kindness motivate you to pay it forward. Push full steam ahead, Cancer, and participate in an event hosted by an organization dear to you.

**LIBRA**  
September 23-October 22

Rumors fly at work. Steer clear of the gossip, Libra, and keep your nose to the grind. Things are not what they seem. Your prayers are answered.

**AQUARIUS**  
January 20-February 18

Budget cuts at work make everyone nervous. Do what you can, Aquarius, to alleviate the tension and get everyone back on track. Now is not the time to fall behind.

**TAURUS**  
April 20-May 20

Dear Taurus. Financial issues can no longer be ignored. Get a grip on them now. A fresh face at work brings new ideas to the table that deserve a good look.

**LEO**  
July 23-August 22

Lucky Leo. Good fortune befalls your home and you reap in ways not thought possible. A plan at work begins to unravel and you must face the music.

**SCORPIO**  
October 23-November 21

Mementos of the past remind you of better times. Take the initiative, Scorpio, to strengthen ties with family members and improve life as a whole. A health crisis passes.

**PISCES**  
February 19-March 20

Efficiency is the name of the game, Pisces, and your time management skills will be called upon soon. A friend's glowing remarks fill you with pride.

**GEMINI**  
May 21-June 21

Envy rears its ugly head at an event, and you must play mediator. Be diplomatic, Gemini, and remember that tact is key. A long-lost heirloom is finally found.

**VIRGO**  
August 23-September 22

Whoops, Virgo. A repair turns out to be more challenging than you thought. You might need a refresher course or perhaps even the help of an expert.

**SAGITTARIUS**  
November 22-December 21

Don't look now, Sagittarius, but someone important needs a huge favor. Think over the matter carefully and volunteer your services only if it's within everyone's best interest.

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY


# ADVERTISING CLASSIFIED

Crawford County Avalanche

**Classifieds must be paid for in advance**  
**Display Advertising Rate - \$8.00 per column inch**  
**Deadline for Display Classifieds - 12 noon, Monday**  
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**Classified by the word deadline - 12 noon, Tuesday**

**1. Real Estate**  
**2-3 BEDROOM** 2 bath, year round ranch in peaceful setting, on maintained road, near lakes and snowmobiling. (586) 446-0004, (586) 713-7500. (6/22/06t/f/1)  
**OLDER MOBILE HOME**, \$17,000 cash. Call for further details, 344-1261. Will consider renting, \$300 mo. (-13-20/1)

**1. Real Estate**  
**FIVE ACRES** both sides river, both sides road. Three bedroom 2 bath ranch. Two possible bedroom plus family room, storage in walk-out basement. Pole building across road 989-348-8524. (11/08/2007t/f/1)



Seven rental units just north of Frederic. Building 1 has 5 units and is a block building 16 x 90. Units 1 thru 5 are efficiency units. Building 2 is a duplex which are 2 bedroom, 1 bath. #5780 \$139,900  
 Call **Pete Kocofas**  
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 RIVER COUNTRY REAL ESTATE  
 989-344-1800  
 Grayling

**1. Real Estate**  
**THIS AUSABLE RIVER HOME** has over 175 feet of river frontage, and is only 25 feet from the river. You can fly fish from the 750 square foot wrap-around deck. Enjoy this 2,175 square foot 4 bedroom, 2 bathroom home located on the east branch, 1 mile north of Mercy hospital. Featuring a full sized kitchen, living room, finished walkout basement, fireplace, hot tub, large cedar sauna and much more. The manicured lawn is watered from an underground sprinkler system and looks like a well maintained golf course. Price has been reduced from \$239,500 down to \$199,500. If you buy my house, I would be willing to lease it from you for 2 years. Lets talk. Call 989-348-2083 for showing by owner. (3/13/08t/f/1)

**1. Real Estate**  
**BEHIND ON YOUR HOUSE** payment, threatened with foreclosure, don't know what to do? Don't lose everything. I can help. Don't wait until the payments pile up, call me today. Selling your home now might save you substantial money. Charlotte Bloomquist, Century 21 River Country Real Estate Agent, 989-390-1393 / 989-348-5474. (-13/1)

**2. For Rent**  
**VIKING VILLAGE APARTMENTS** are now taking applications for upcoming availability. Very nice two bedroom, two bath apartments approximately one mile west of Grayling off M-72. Units in this quiet community include central air conditioning, attached garage, paved lighted streets and driveways, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, washer and dryer. Lawn care, snow removal, and garbage pickup included in annual lease. Contact Herb Olson, at 989-348-9456, for more information. (02/21/08t/f/2)

**2. For Rent**  
**NICE CLEAN 2 BEDROOM** mobile with garage, washer/dryer and appliances. \$450 per month, no pets. 989-348-2418. (-28-6-13-20/2)  
**OFFICE SPACE** in Roscommon, great location. \$475 per month, plus utilities. 989-348-2466, AuSable Rentals. (1/10/08t/f/2)  
**3 BEDROOM CHALET** 1 1/2 baths, fully furnished, 2 car garage, \$525 + utilities + security deposit. References required. Warblers Hideaway, 2704 Lovells Rd. 989-348-4950 or 989-344-6001. (-13-20/2)

**AVAILABLE COZY SMALL HOUSE** near town. 2 bedroom 1 bath, washer/dryer hook up. Nonsmoking, no pets, \$450 per month 989-390-2908. (02/14/08t/f/2)  
**CABIN AND MOBILE HOME** at Lost Acres Cabins, 1 room cabin #1 \$275 Cabin #6, #4 \$375, includes utilities, near Blue Gill Lake. 11010 N. Old US 27, 2 br mobile home, \$395, (new paint, carpet, windows) plus utilities & security, no pets. 11006 N. Old US 27 877-227-6976. (2/7/08t/f/2)

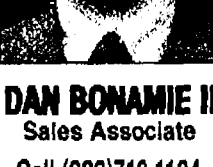
**2. For Rent**  
**201 FULTON ST.** One bedroom upper level apartment. Intercom from apartment to locked security door. Air conditioned, new kitchen cabinets, a very nice apartment. Individual locked storage in basement with washer and dryer. Garage with auto opener. Non smoking only and no pets. \$475 per month, \$450 security deposit plus utilities. References required. Call 989-348-7143. (01/24/07t/f/2)


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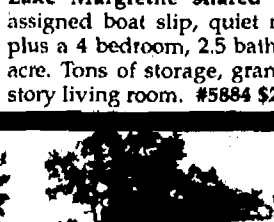
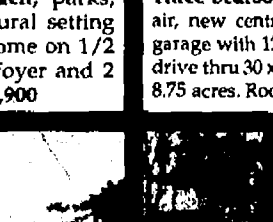
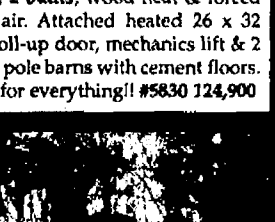
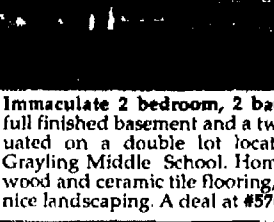
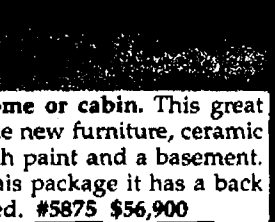



**2. For Rent**  
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 There's no perfect answer to this but here are some things that lenders like to see in order to get a good FIXED term at a LOW rate.  
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**Perfect for the snowmobile enthusiast. Large detached storage building 18 x 36 for all the toys. Charming 3 bedroom home with 1.5 baths and attached garage. Fireplace and formal dining room. Sun porch is a great place to relax. #5662 \$99,000**  
  
**Immaculate 2 bedroom, 2 bath home with a full finished basement and a two car garage situated on a double lot located next to the Grayling Middle School. Home features hardwood and ceramic tile flooring, ceiling fans and nice landscaping. A deal at \$761 \$67,000**  
  
**Wonderful home or cabin. This great place offers like new furniture, ceramic tile floors, fresh paint and a basement. To top it off this package it has a back deck and a shed. #5875 \$56,900**  
  
**This comfortable 3 bedroom home sits on a beautifully wooded parcel, close to Higgins Lake and has just been recently remodeled on the interior. Turn-key and ready to enjoy. Natural gas is available. The 6 lots adjacent are also available. #5838 \$109,000**  
  
**Stunning Lake Margrethe setting, expansive lakeside yard and 2,310 sq. ft. Features 4 bedroom, 3 baths, garage and beautiful kitchen. #5858 \$490,000**  
  
**10 acres, stunning log home, 3 car attached garage AND a pole barn all set up for horses, along with horse coral. Ceramic & hardwood flooring, fireplace, a kitchen that will make you grin, and a master suite that will knock your socks off. #5999 \$259,000**  
  
**New kitchen and roof in this four bedroom/2 bath home in a great neighborhood! Plenty of room with formal living room and family room too. Very large backyard with a deck. \$99,900. #5934**  
  
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**Commercial building with high visibility from Old 27 and County Road 612, in Frederic. Lot is approx. 100 x 200 and the building is 1456 S.F. with an office and bathroom facility. Mobile home slab on property. \$69,900 #5790**  
  
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### 3. Employment

**PROFESSIONAL CLEANING HOME POSITION** available. Looking for individual or 2 person team to clean home in Grayling. Must be detailed, honest, reliable. 8 hour total once a week. Experience required. Please call 348-5790 between 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. (3/6/08tf/3)

**DRIVER TRAINEES** needed now. Drivers being hired and CDL trained for Werner Enterprises. \$800/week no experience needed 800-882-7364. (-28-6-13-20-27-3/3)

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**SONOGRAPHY INSTRUCTOR**: Kirtland Community College is seeking applicants for a part-time sonography instructor for the Fall, 2008, semester for its associate degree cardiovascular sonography program at the college's M-TEC in Gaylord, Michigan. Applicants must have a bachelor's degree and a minimum of 2 years work related experience; teaching experience preferred. Submit cover letter, resume, unofficial transcripts, and three reference letters to Human Resources Department, Kirtland Community College, 10775 N. St. Helen Rd., Roscommon, MI 48653. Kirtland Community College is an equal opportunity employer. (-13-17-15/3)

**HANDYMAN** - references only, must know all about minor repairs. Wages & living quarters 989-348-5278. (03/13/08tf/3)

### 3. Employment

#### In-Home Care Provider

The Crawford County Commission on Aging is accepting applications for an on-call In-Home Care Provider. Duties include light housekeeping, assistance with personal care and supervision of clients. Preferred candidate will have two years caregiving experience or Nurse's Aide certification. Application packets can be picked up, at 308 Lawndale, Grayling.

## Northern Lakes COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH

**ACT TEAM RN**: Grayling. Provide intensive case management services and problem-solving interventions directly and indirectly for clients of this specialized services program. The overall primary function for this position is to assure that nursing/health programming is appropriate and suitable. Registered Nursing degree with appropriate licensure with the state of Michigan required. Two (2) years of experience in providing services to consumers who have mental health needs is highly desirable. Must strongly believe in recovery and have a commitment to creating and maintaining a culture that expects recovery. Northern Lakes offers competitive wages and an excellent benefit package.

**RN - HOUGHTON LAKE**: Work with consumers assigned to medication maintenance services for both adults and children. Complete IPS documents based on a person centered planning (PCP) process and case note recordings. Will be the team leader for psychiatric services for this office location and will provide direct health services including medication administration, sample distribution, assessments of physical health, communication with pharmacies and monitoring of basic health indicators. Coordinate with primary care physician and agency psychiatrist and service teams. Problem solving interventions directly and indirectly to and for SED child consumers (and their families) who receive services in Crawford and Roscommon counties. Provide and document Tardive Dyskinesia screenings for assigned consumers on psychotropic medications. Provide support of telepsychiatry services. Participate in the nursing "pool" of support to northern lake's programs. RN required. Appropriate licensure or registration with the state of Michigan required. Previous experience with behavioral health care, particularly with adults with chronic and persistent mental illness and one year experience in the provision of direct services to children and families preferred. Must strongly believe in recovery and have a commitment to creating and maintaining a culture that expects recovery. NLCMH offers excellent benefits and competitive wages.

Send resume to hr@nlcmh.org or to Human Resources, Northern Lakes CMH, 105 hall St., Ste A, Traverse City, MI 49684 www.northern-

### 3. Employment

**J. DAP tuxedo prom special!** If you are going to the Grayling prom, order your tuxedo by March 22 and J. Dap will give back 5% of the rental price to your prom committee! We only need a \$20 deposit to reserve your tux! Hurry in because prom is April 12. J. Dap tuxedo rental is located at 118 Michigan Ave., in Grayling. (-6-13-19/3)

### 4. Services Offered

**SEWING, ZIPPERS, QUILTER** Military welcome, open 6 days a week. (989)348-9349. (1/11/07tf/4)

**RTH HOME IMPROVEMENT** all your interior and exterior needs. Garages, additions, drywall, painting, roofing, siding, decks, and more. Licensed and insured, free estimates. Rob Harrington 989-344-1383. (-9/16/04tf/4)

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**CHILD CARE** in my home, will take part to full time, 348-6480. (11/29/07tf/4)

**PET BOARDING** Antler Creek Kennel. New facility, in floor heating, indoor/outdoor runs, completely covered, dogs walked daily. Multiple dog discounts. Pickup/drop-off available. Cats welcome too. Luzerne, MI (M-72) 989-826-6637. (-13-20-27-3/4)

**HEATHER'S DAYCARE** has full time opening. Open Mon-Fri 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. DHS accepted, breakfast, lunch and snack provided. 989-348-1930 or 989-390-2367. (-6-13/4)

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### 3. Employment

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### 5. For Sale

**CABIN LOGS** rough sawn lumber, kiln dried lumber, tongue & groove, log siding, custom sawing. T. Warren Sawmill. 989-619-0840. (LR4/10/08/5)

**WAKELEY'S FIREWOOD** seasoned oak, cut, split & delivered \$65 a cord. Minimum 2 cord. 989-275-4574. (-13-20-27/5)

**J. DAP** celebrates St. Patrick's Day. Stop by J. Dap Co gift store and guess how many chocolate gold coins are in the container. The winner receives a \$25 J. Dap gift certificate and the coins! Hurry though, the winner will be announced on March 17! J. Dap Co is located at 118 Michigan Ave., in Grayling. (-6-13/5)

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**CALL PAUL BARNUM** at P&C Appliance Service for your repair needs. Over 40 yrs. experience. 348-0167. (-6-13/5)

**FOR SALE GOLDEN RETRIEVER**, 5 months old, papers, potty trained, asking \$350, 619-4583. (-13/5)

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### 8. Announcements

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## MICHIGAN WORKS! PUBLIC NOTICE

The Workforce Development Board and Northeast Michigan Consortium are requesting proposals for a program operator to deliver the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Adult, Dislocated Worker, Trade and Welfare Reform Programs in the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Cheboygan, Crawford, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego and Presque Isle.

Approximately \$695,000 program dollars are available to be expended on Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Adult Programs, and \$695,000 is available for WIA Dislocated Worker Programs. Available program dollars for Welfare Reform Programs are approximately \$802,000. Trade Program funding will be based upon current participant expenditures.

A Bidder's Conference will be held on Monday, March 17, 2008, at 1:30 p.m. in the Onaway Michigan Works! Service Center. Request for Proposal packages may be requested prior to the Bidder's Conference or may be obtained at the conference. Prospective bidders are strongly urged to attend.

Requests for proposals should be made to Terry L. Basel, Program Coordinator, Michigan Works! Northeast Consortium, P.O. Box 711, Onaway, MI 49765. The proposal deadline for submission is Friday, April 25, 2008, at 12:00 p.m. at the Northeast Michigan Consortium, Onaway, Michigan. Proposals that are past the deadline, faxed or emailed will not be considered.

An equal opportunity employer. Auxiliary aids and services will be made available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Michigan Relay Center 1-800-649-3777 and 711 (voice & TTY).

### 5. For Sale

**WASHERS**, dryers, refrigerators, and electric range. P&C Appliance Service 348-0167. (-6-13/5)

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### 6. Wanted

**WANTED-SCRAP VEHICLES** top dollar paid. Pick up available. 888-471-3818. (3/3/05tf/6)

**WANTED TO BUY** Rittenhouse cottage furniture. 248-851-7585. (03/2/06tf/6)

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**BUYING JUNK VEHICLES** Price varies with size but will pay the most. Call Don at 231-587-0856 or 888-468-7313. (10/11/07tf/6)

**WARREN FOREST PRODUCTS** We buy standing timber and sell firewood by the loggers cord. Call 989-348-7133 during the day and leave a message. Evenings call 231-229-4845, ask for Chan. (LR3/27/08/6)

### 7. Miscellaneous

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Kaitlin Adamski, Nick Wells, Abbey Hatfield, and Shanley Dorn for making middle school honors band. You did a great job! Your parents. (-13/7)

### 8. Announcements

**MIP** and anger management programs. GRACE Center, Grayling. 989-348-2544. (10/11/07tf/8)

**TAI CHI CLASSES**, CRAFT Center, Roscommon, March 17, 6 p.m.; March 19, 10:55 a.m., 989-821-4419. (-13/8)

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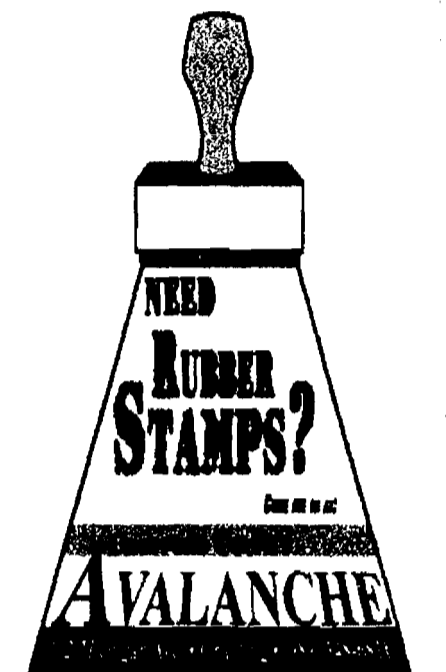
### 8. Announcements

**CRAWFORD COUNTY** has been awarded federal funds under the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program. Crawford County has been chosen to receive \$12,414 to supplement emergency food and shelter programs in the county. The selection was made by the National Board that is chaired by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and consists of representatives from The Salvation Army; American Red Cross; United Jewish Communities; Catholic Charities, U.S.A.; National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A.; and the United Way of America. The Local Board was charged to distribute funds appropriated by Congress to help expand the capacity of food and shelter programs in high-need areas around the country. The Local Board made up of local agencies and businesses will determine how the funds awarded to Crawford County are to be distributed among the emergency food and shelter programs runs by local service agencies in the area. The Local Board is responsible for recommending agencies to receive these funds and any additional funds available under this phase of the program. Under the terms of the grant from the National Board, local agencies chosen to receive funds must: 1) be a private voluntary non-profit or units of government, 2) have an accounting system, 3) practice nondiscrimination, 4) have demonstrated the capability to deliver emergency food and/or shelter programs, and 5) if they are a private voluntary organization, they must have a voluntary board. Qualifying agencies are urged to apply. Crawford County has distributed Emergency Food and Shelter funds previously with River House Shelter and Crawford County Community Christian Help Center participating. These agencies were responsible for providing meals and lodging to area citizens. Public or private voluntary agencies interested in applying for Emergency Food and Shelter Program funds must contact Sue McNally at 230 Huron, Grayling, MI 49738 or 989-348-7691 for an application. The deadline for applications to be received is March 18, 2008. (-13/8)

### 8. Announcements

**TILL MARCH 31ST**, up to \$1,000 discount available on the Central Boiler Classic. Pay less today than you would have paid in 2005! Fight back against rising fuel prices! Attend our free seminar to learn how you can reduce your heating costs to almost nothing. Seminar attendees that purchase a furnace at the seminar receive an additional discount. Seminars are Friday, March 14th at 7 p.m. and Saturday, March 15th at 10 a.m. Call 348-7484 to reserve your spot. We promise you won't miss those high heating bills! (-13/8)

**GRAYLING RECREATION AUTHORITY** is seeking volunteers to help organize adult tennis classes and a horseshoe league. The right person will have knowledge of the sport and a willingness to help support the program. All those interested please contact Joni Duncel at 989-348-9266. (-13-20/8)



## United Way

### Crawford County United Way

Crawford County United Way will be holding an Annual Meeting on Wednesday, March 19, 2008, 5:30 p.m., at the CMH Building on Meadows Drive. The meeting will include election of the Board of Directors officers and the 2007 Annual Report. Members are encouraged to attend. Any questions, please call Linda Williams, Crawford County United Way at: 344-9300

## REQUEST FOR BID

The Department of Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation Division is soliciting bids for vendors to supply ice and/or firewood to North Higgins Lake State Park for the upcoming 2008 camping season. For details and specifications, interested bidders should contact the Park Supervisor, North Higgins Lake State Park, 11747 N. Higgins Lk. Dr., Roscommon, MI 48653 989-821-6125.

## NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Grayling Recreation Authority is seeking bids for the Hanson Hoppers playground. Bid shall include 2 hexagon towers one with a 10ft deck and a tube slide from the deck and one with a 8ft deck with reversible slide/climber, two bridges, one rock wall to 8ft deck, peddler, slide rails, one jumper and 3 climbers, chinning bar. All bids should be sealed and sent to Hanson Hoppers Park Bids, P.O. Box 361, Grayling, MI 49738 on or before March 25, 2008. The Bid will be awarded to the vendor providing the proposal that is in the best interest of the Grayling Recreation Authority and whose cost is within the budgeted amount. Questions concerning this should be directed to Joni Duncel at 348-9266 or hansonhills@hotmail.com.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD CRAWFORD COUNTY HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM 2008 HOUSING PREVENTION GRANT (HPG)

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners and the Crawford County Housing Commission are seeking public comments for the submission of a 2008 Housing Preservation Grant (HPG). Written comments will be accepted until 4:30 p.m., Friday, March 28th, 2008 and should be mailed to: Northeast Michigan Community Service Agency, Inc. 2375 Gordon Road, Alpena, MI 49707. A statement of activities proposed within the grant will be available to the public at the Crawford County Housing Commission Office, 200 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738.

This is an Equal Opportunity Program. Discrimination is prohibited by federal laws. Complaints of discrimination may be filed with the USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, Room 326-W, Whitten Building, 14th and Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410, or call (202) 720-5946 (Voice and TDD).

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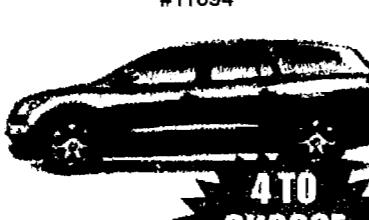





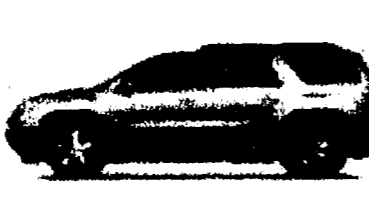



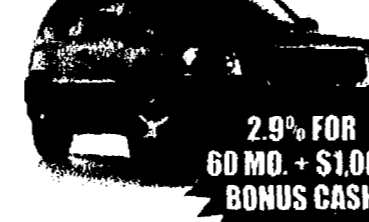
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LEAP	EASE	AZOTH
LEVI	THEN	ITCHY
SMALL	FORTUNE	
ELIRE	RICHES	
STAPLE	ODDS	EDO
EINSTEIN	NIUM	AIL
ARTY	TSP	ERSE
DAH	SALESPERSON	
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